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## American National Debt Will Reach New Record As Defence Costs Mount

# ROOSEVELT'S LAST BUDGET ANNOUNCED

## RELIEF SLASHED TO PROVIDE FOR EMERGENCY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (UP).—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, IN HIS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, HAS BUDGETED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION'S ELEVENTH CONSECUTIVE DEFICIT, DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE HAS CUT EXPENDITURE BY \$65,000,000 AS COMPARED WITH THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

The 1941 Budget introduced by the President to-day totals \$8,424,000,000 which, although lower than the 1940 estimates, is the third highest Budget in the nation's history.

### WHY HITLER DAREN'T BOMB BRITAIN

## WE CAN CRUSH HIS ARMADA

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

LONDON, Jan. 4.—Britain now has enough fighter planes on the Home Front to overwhelm the biggest mass formation of bombers that Germany could send against her.

That is why Hitler has not dared to bomb Britain. Our Air Force, it is now revealed, can always keep more than 2,300 planes flying—at home, alone—however many may be lost in fighting.

At least 800 of these first-line planes are high-speed fighters, ready to defend you.

These figures do not include the squadrons sent to France at the outbreak of war, the reserves available for the Western Front and the Home Front, the large numbers of new aircraft with the Fleet Air Arm and at overseas garrisons, or training machines.

When Germany revealed in 1934 that she intended to build a new fleet of 1,000 first-line machines with adequate reserves, and said that hundreds of the planes were then ready, it was decided that we should build a first-line strength at home of 1,500 aircraft.

**Order For 1,000 Fighters**

This was later increased to 1,750, and then to over 2,000, to be completed by the Spring of the present year.

Since every Squadron of the R.A.F. has a 50 per cent. reserve with it, for rapid replacement of casualties, the real strength of the R.A.F. is 2,250.

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**NAZIS PRAISE (YOU'D NEVER GUESS WHOM) MR. CHURCHILL**

THOUSANDS of people in Germany have bought a new version of T. E. Lawrence's "Revolt in the Desert."

It has just been published by Paul List in Leipzig.

On the paper wrapper for another new book, which says:

"In this excellent work Churchill reveals himself as a spirited and daring adventurer, but also as a sincere and open character. He is irresistibly attracted by a fight, and bursting to perform deeds of heroism."

"Churchill is a born story writer, commanding a richness and vivid use

of language seldom met with, full of wit and humour, always thrilling and fascinating, but nevertheless full of deep moral seriousness."

The tribute is the advance notice of a translation of one of Mr. Churchill's books, obviously planned just before the outbreak of war.

But the Nazi censors missed it.

In German newspapers recently Mr. Churchill has been described as "an immoral being," "a Machiavellian mind," and "a deadly enemy."

Relief costs have been drastically cut in order to provide new emergency defence expenditure of \$460,000,000. This is in addition to the ordinary defence expenditure.

In his message, President Roosevelt opposes taxation which will curtail consumer purchasing power.

Although not revealed, it is believed that he contemplates increases in income, estate and inheritance taxes.

The estimated deficit is \$2,976,000,000. As a result the National Debt—already a record—will be increased to \$44,938,000,000.

**America's Fiscal Problems**

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—In the course of his review of fiscal policy in his Budget speech, President Roosevelt pointed out that the deliberate use of government funds to encourage private enterprise has profoundly affected both government and private incomes.

The national income in four years has risen 69 per cent.—the biggest rise for any similar period in history.

**Expenditure Cuts**

The Works Progress Administration will be enabled to provide employment for an average of 125,000 people. The Federal Security Administration will operate on about 80 per cent. of last year's level.

Relief expenditure will be closely geared to actual needs, but if the present hopes are disappointed, revised estimates might be substituted later in the session.

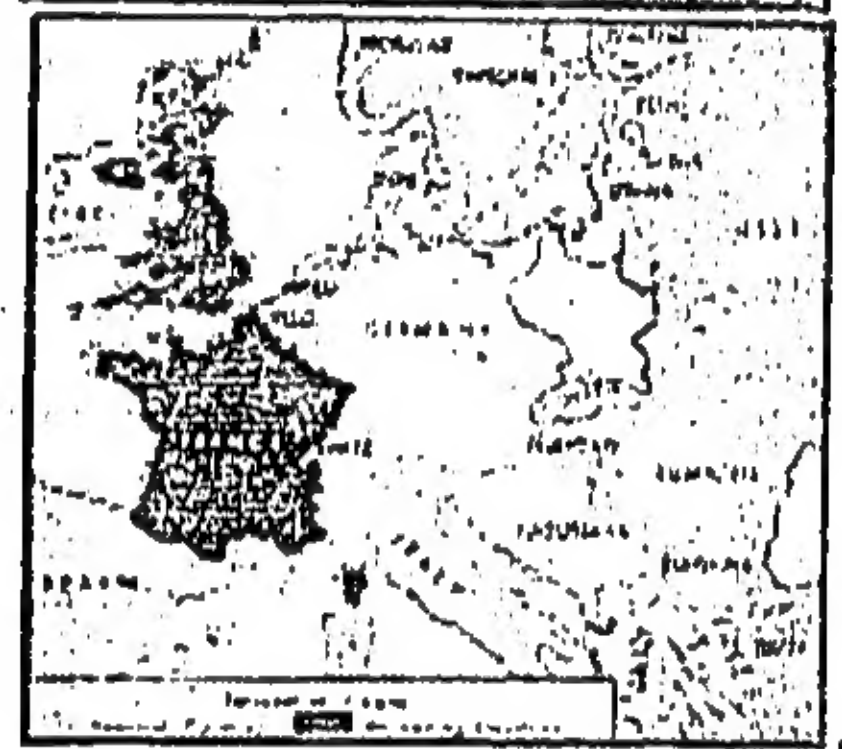
Replying to the criticism of the public debt, President Roosevelt pointed out that there are durable and tangible assets constructed or purchased by the Government, though these are never yet listed.

Expenditure estimates include nearly \$150,000,000 in the construction of merchant shipping.

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ADRESSEER VOLLENDEN



THESE propaganda posters posted in Holland (the stamp and postmark are shown above), are being received now by many people.

The first, marked 1914, shows the "encirclement" necessary to make Britain's blockade successful in the last war.

Below is one marked 1939 in which the Germans attempt to show how "encirclement" has failed and how the blockade must also fail.

It takes no account, however, of the vital fact that present-day Nazi Germany has no gold or foreign currency with which to pay for imports necessary to carry on the war or that the countries on her frontier cannot supply many of the raw materials she needs.

### WAR IN CHINA

## PEACE IN OFFING?

### London Has Wave Of Optimism

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Hopes that serious efforts may shortly be made towards securing some settlement in the Sino-Japanese war were responsible for the sharp upward movement of Chinese bonds to-day.

It is realised that the potential recovery capacity of China in such an event must be large, especially as the latest returns of Customs revenues issued by the Chinese Embassy indicate a relatively small real decline in China's receipts for 1939 as compared with last year.

Many financial quarters, who were prepared for a much greater decline, are now wondering whether, if China can secure such a large Customs revenue with many of her legitimate trade outlets closed, she might not provide a spectacular commercial recovery were the normal trading conditions restored.

## HOSPITAL BURNT DOWN

### Shocking Action By Japanese Troops

SHANGHAI, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The British Consul-General at Tientsin has made representations to the Japanese following the burning of the English Methodist Mission hospital at Chuchin, near Wafangdian, in Shantung on December 25, by Japanese troops, in retaliation for alleged treatment of wounded guerrillas.

Before departing, the Japanese are reported to have made a threat to burn the Church and foreign houses in the Mission compound at a later date.

## Italian Envoy Returning

MOSCOW, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The Italian Ambassador left for Rome to-night.

## GRAF SPEE MEN TRY TO ESCAPE

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Five members of the Graf Spee crew made a daring attempt to escape internment to-day.

They secured a motor launch and started for Buenos Aires.

The motor launch developed engine trouble, however, and the men were overtaken and brought back.

## THEY FEEL THE PINCH

### Front Line Soldiers Short Of Clothes

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—According to reports reaching here, the Allied economic warfare is now being felt in Germany, even among the troops in the Siegfried Line.

The reports assert that many men are in want of new uniforms and other clothing. Even the richest Germans, it is reported, are finding it hard to obtain new clothes which are particularly needed now because of the very cold winter.

### No Food Shortage

Generally speaking, however, there is no serious food shortage provided that one has the money to pay for it, but the fare obtainable is monotonous, and to a certain extent lacking in nutrition.

Freezing German waterways are holding up coal deliveries.

This, combined with the shortage of clothing and the extreme cold, augurs ill for the comfort of the Germans for the remainder of the winter.

## PORTUGAL HIT BY FLOODS

LISBON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The floods which hit Portugal in the past two days are growing worse, and large areas are now under water.

Some 50 villages are submerged and hundreds of head of cattle have been lost.

## Poles are Ready

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Substantial Polish forces will be ready to fight beside the Allies at the beginning of spring, declared the Polish Ambassador at a luncheon to-day.

He protested against the German allegations of Polish atrocities and said that the Nazis, not content with destroying the Poles at home, are now trying to destroy their good name abroad.

The Nazis are making every effort to kill the spirit of the Poles, particularly by means of concentration camps.

The whole of the population of Western Poland are being driven from home, and to-day there is not a single Pole in the once-thriving Polish port of Gdynia.

# Big Red Air Raid

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Reports from both Copenhagen and Stockholm state that the Soviets staged one of their most ambitious air raids on Wednesday on the town of Tornea, at the head of the Gulf of Bothnia.

Twenty planes are said to have bombed the outskirts of the town. Two were shot down.

The railway bridge a few miles east of Tornea is said to have been damaged. If this is so, the Finns will be deprived of a valuable means of supply from Sweden.

### Mystery Air Bases

This raid raises the question as to where the Soviet planes came from. The nearest large Soviet town is Murmansk, and the outward and homeward journey from Murmansk is 880 miles. From Leningrad the round-trip would be one of nearly 1,000 miles.

It is possible, however, that the Soviets have established temporary air bases on the frozen lakes near their lines on the central front.

The Soviets also bombed Oulu (Ulenburg), an important railway town on the Gulf of Bothnia, some 60 to 70 miles south of Tornea.

These raids are believed to be part of the new Soviet plan to attack railways and harbours in order to hinder foreign assistance to Finland.

### Finns Retaliate

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—There was aerial activity by both the Finns and Soviets to-day.

The Helsinki correspondent of a Swedish paper reports that Finnish planes flew over Leningrad on Wednesday and dropped leaflets containing the speech of the Finnish Foreign Minister to M. Molotov.

Other leaflet planes flew over the Soviet Lines in the Karelian Isthmus and dropped pamphlets telling of the good treatment the Finns gave their prisoners.

The leaflets include photographs showing the prisoners wearing warm clothing. These also showed Russian

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## Merciless Criticism of Russian Leaders

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Praise for the magnificent fighting qualities displayed by Finnish soldiers is given in a leading article in the "Times" to-day.

There are a number of contributing factors on the Soviet side which have materially assisted the Finns, the paper goes on.

### Stalin's Incompetence

Stalin, in the first place, is militarily incompetent and has miscalculated.

The Russians living close to Finland would obviously be more able to endure the weather conditions prevailing there than those from other parts of Soviet Russia.

But they suffered from the usual difficulty that Russian soldiers do not like to attack their neighbours, hence troops from other parts of the country had to be used.

### Serious Mistake

Then again Stalin, for political reasons, has destroyed a large number of his best professional officers.

And finally, Russian soldiers who have been raised in belief in God and their country have now been shorn of those ideals.

## Civil Service Want Wage Increases

### Sir John Simon Sees Inflation Threat

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Automatic raising of wages to meet the rise in the cost of living would involve a grave danger of inflation, Sir John Simon, Chancellor of the Exchequer, to-day told a deputation representing the Civil Service.

The deputation drew attention to the number of wage and salary increases by industrial concerns to meet the increased cost of living, and urged the establishment of a committee to elaborate a scheme of compensation for the Civil Service.

### Financial Strain Emphasised

The Chancellor re-affirmed the Government policy of reviewing Civil Service pay in the light of substantial changes in the level of remuneration elsewhere, but referred to the enormous financial strain in consequence of the war, and to the grave danger of inflation if wages were automatically adjusted to prices.

While it would be difficult to keep Civil Service wages at the present level if prices continued to rise, the Government was doing everything in its power to prevent unnecessary rises in the cost of living.

## Cotton Price Control

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The new Ministry of Supply does not control raw cotton prices but, with certain exceptions, regulates the prices of single cotton yarn of American and Egyptian type by prescribing specific "margins" for each type and quality.

The controlled price of any yarn sold will be ascertained by adding an appropriate margin to the sum representing the cost of raw cotton used.

In general, the margins fixed are appreciably lower than those prevailing, and it is hoped that one important result will be to assist export trade.

## TRI-POWER PARLEYS TO START?

### Keeping Russia Away From The Balkans

ROME, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Persistent rumours are circulating in well-informed unofficial circles that a triangular conference may be held between Count Ciano (Italian Foreign Minister), Count Cseky (Hungarian Foreign Minister who is at present visiting Italy) and German statesmen.

Field-Marshal Hermann Goerring, Dr. Joseph Goebbels and Herr Joachim von Ribbentrop are mentioned as the possible German representatives.

### Ciano To Meet Cseky

Rumours of a visit by Goerring were current last night, but confirmation is not obtainable.

It is said to be practically certain that Count Ciano will go to Venice to meet Count Cseky.

Authoritative circles believe that if the conference becomes triangular, the problem of how to keep Soviet Russia on her own side of the Carpathians will stand at the forefront of the discussions.

## Russo-Japanese Trade Talks

MOSCOW, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Five members of the Japanese trade delegation have arrived here from Tokyo and were welcomed by a large number of Soviet officials, including the Deputy Commissar of Foreign Trade.

Talks are scheduled to start on Sunday.

The delegation will visit the Kremlin with the Japanese Ambassador to Moscow to-morrow for conversation with M. Molotov, the Soviet Foreign Commissar.

## U.S. Neutrality Believed to be Weakened

## NAZIS SEE THREAT IN ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's speech is regarded from beginning to end as an attack on Germany, according to German political circles quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraph."

It is considered that President Roosevelt has weakened America's attitude of neutrality.

This opinion is further strengthened by the report that the U.S. Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Charles Edison, has proposed placing certain industries under the direct control of the State.

It is recalled that American authorities claimed the same powers in 1917, a month or two before America entered the war, and although it is too much to claim that this step is an indication of American intention to participate in the war, there is less confidence in the continuance of America's neutrality in all circumstances.

French Reactions To Speech

PARIS, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—That the Allied cause will have a "moral victory" before a material one is the not yet clear.

## LATEST

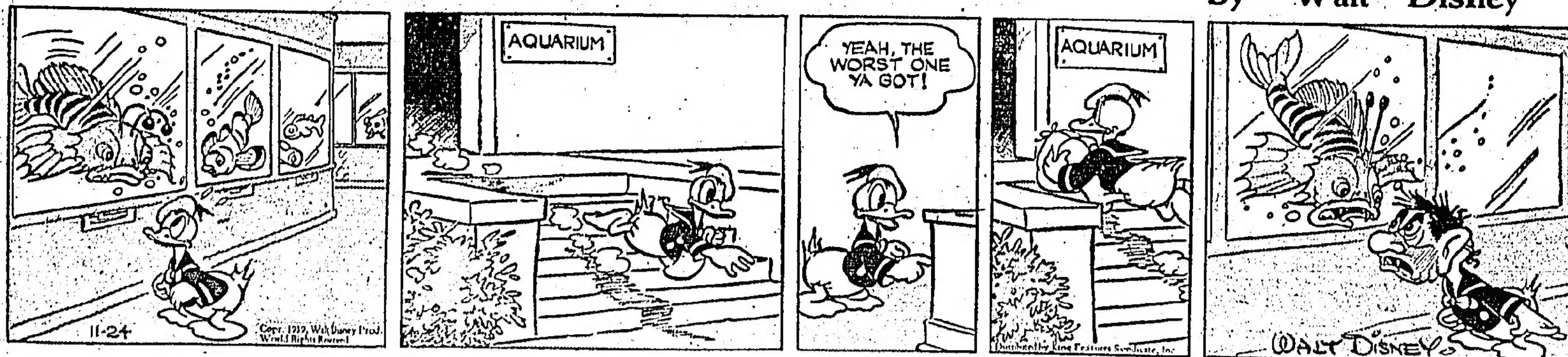
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12.30—Songs by—Leslie Hutchinson  
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12.40 Joe Daniels and His Hot  
Shots in "Drumsticks"

1.00 Local Time Signal and Weather  
Report.

1.03 Haydn—Symphony No. 104  
in D Major ("London").

Edwin  
Fischer and His Chamber Orchestra.

1.30 Reuter and Rugby Press.  
Weather Forecast and Announcements.

1.45 Gounod's "Faust" Ballet Music  
and Excerpts from the Opera. Even  
Bravest Hearts, Peter Dawson (Bass-  
Baritone), "Faust"—Ballet Music.

Royal Opera Orchestra, Covent Gar-  
den. Garden Scene. Salts above  
and Angels. And So You Never Take  
a Rest, Muriel Brunskill, Miriam  
Licette, Robert Easton Heddle Nash.

2.15 Close Down.

6.00 An Hour of Variety with Clap-  
ham and Dwyer, The Bill Blitts,  
The Boswell Sisters, Harry Roy's  
Tiger Ragmuffins, and Others.

7.00 Closing Local Stock Quo-  
tations.

7.02 Geraldo and His Orchestra.

7.30 London Relay—The News.

8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather  
Report and Announcements.

8.03 Latest Variety. Accordion  
Band, "Curry On" Melodies. It's a  
long way to Tipperary; Keep the  
home fires burning; Hello, hello,  
who's your lady friend? Pack up  
your troubles; There's a long, long

travels. Take me back to dear old  
England. Prime Scala's Accordion  
Band, I'm Sending You The Siegfried  
Line. Adolf, Billy Cotton and  
His Band. Run, Rabbit, Run! The  
Girl Who Loves A Soldier, Jack  
Hyllon and His Orchestra. Aint Cha  
Comin' Out, Dick Robertson and His  
Orchestra. On The Outside Looking  
In, Billy Cotton and His Band.  
There'll Always Be An England,  
Wish Me Luck, Billy Cotton and His  
Band. Band Music, Cavalcade of  
Musical Songs—The King's Horses;  
The Toy Town Artillery; The Tin-Can  
Fiddlers. When the guards are on  
parade. There's something about a  
soldier. When a soldier's on parade;  
When the Band goes marching by;  
The Toy Drum Major, The Band of  
H. M. Welsh Guards, The Washing  
On The Siegfried Line, When A Black  
Sheep Meets A White Sheep, Billy  
Cotton and His Band, Charlie Kunz  
Piano Medley No. D. 30—Don't worry  
'bout me; Our love; And the angels  
sing; Especially for you; Angels never  
leave heaven; Goodnight, my darling,  
goodnight. The Shabby Old Cabbie,  
The Moon Remembered. But You  
Forgot, Elsie Carlisle. I Poured My  
Heart Into A Song, An Old-Fashioned  
Tune Always Is New, Jack Hyllon  
and His Orchestra.

9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent  
Events.

9.15 London Relay—News Sum-  
mary.

9.30 London Relay—"World Af-  
fairs."

9.45 Spanish Music.

10.00 B.B.C. Recording, Vaudeville  
Programme. The Cast includes Alex-  
ander and Mose; Charlie Coborn,  
Benny Williams, Anne Winn, Tom-  
my Handley, Lily Morris and Kitz  
B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. The pro-  
gramme compered by Tommy Hand-  
ley.

11.00 Close Down.

## Behind the Line with French Colonials

### INTENSIVE TRAINING: FIRST- CLASS CONCERT PARTIES

By RICHARD CAPELL,  
"Daily Telegraph" War Correspondent  
WITH THE FRENCH ARMY.

Within the last week or so the privilege has been  
mine of making a more than passing acquaintance  
with a French division.

There may possibly be similar experiences in  
store, but not quite the same thing can happen again.

The division has taken me under its wing. Day  
after day I have gone to and fro among the infantry

regiments and the cavalry,  
among the gunners and the  
sappers and the men of the  
medical corps, not to speak  
of the General and his Staff.

Anyone who has been  
"adopted" like this must ever  
afterwards feel a special loyal-  
ty. No other division can in  
his eyes be quite what his first  
one is.

Names and numbers are unmen-  
tionable. All I can say is that my  
hosts are a colonial infantry division,  
and that the war of 1939 has already  
been a real war for them.

#### A Familiar Chord

The word colonial must not be  
understood as necessarily denoting  
the inclusion of coloured troops. It  
means, in the case of my division,  
that the regular officers and non-  
commissioned officers have seen  
overseas service. The only men of  
colour it includes are attached to the  
artillery.

These mild-looking, cheerful fel-  
lows make first-rate chauffeurs and  
signallers. I have talked with them  
—they have been educated at mission  
schools and speak French—and I  
have eaten rice at their field kitchen.

The snap of frost which came in  
the third week of November made  
them shiver, but they are in good  
health.

But the sight of these children of  
Ham is not the only reminder one  
gets of the French overseas empire.  
Conversation at the messes in a  
colonial division touches casually on  
North or West African stations, Syria  
and Indo-China.

One may never have seen those  
places, but there is something in this  
which strikes a chord familiar to the  
English guest.

#### "Ragging" The Chaplain

At the end of luncheon we drink  
to the future of the two Empires—  
French and British and then there is  
the traditional shout in unison: "In  
the name of God, long live the  
Colonials!"

One meets at such messes a variety  
of types—the intense professional  
soldier, the infatigably jovial, and  
the consummately polished.

The regimental chaplain is by  
tradition the object of banter. This  
can be pretty fierce, but the chaplains  
know how to take it. They are  
first-rate men, and the "ragging"  
they get is really a tribute to their  
humour and patience. They are  
greatly esteemed.

And in parenthesis let me say that  
if any reader has a two-seater  
motor-car to give away, I happen to  
know a Colonial division chaplain  
who asks no more than that to be  
perfectly happy. No man on earth  
would make better use of it.

When the official accounts are  
published of the decorations earned  
by valour in this autumn fighting it  
will be found that the Colonials have  
played their part.

One point on which I should like  
to contribute the testimony of my  
observations is the work put in by  
the divisional engineers. On the  
more or less undefined front as it  
was when they took it over they  
must have looked like Trojans.

Within a few days a whole village  
of huts has sprung up at an appro-  
priate spot to accommodate the first  
leave men—the happy few for whom  
"divisional rest," so called, is really  
a holiday.

#### Three Hours' Concert

For the others the word is a mere  
euphemism. Intensive training goes  
on in all the fighting units.

## Nazi Airman Who Feigned Death

SHOT DOWN BY R.A.F.  
FIGHTER PLANE

By PETER LAWLESS  
"Daily Telegraph" War  
Correspondent

With the R.A.F. in France.  
Who sank the Ark Royal? At  
least, who thought he did? In an  
R.A.F. mess in France the strange  
Nazi misconception arose. The man  
who thought he had achieved the  
success was the beam companion of  
a prisoner, pilot of a Dornier shot  
down in the Chalons-sur-Marne area  
on Thursday.

The pilot said his friend had sunk  
the Ark Royal, and no one under-  
took to disillusion him.

A Reservist with four children, a  
man of 31 who has done 1,000 hours  
of flying in four years, the pilot was  
brought down in a fight with British  
Hurricanes.

His companions leaped with their  
parachutes, one to death, the other  
to be made a prisoner. Alone, he  
feigned death, rolling relaxed in his  
seat. Beside him roared a Hurricane,  
and its pilot, thinking the day's work  
done, went on.

#### Taught To Hate English

Then the Nazi pilot scrambled  
back into the gun pit, and with a  
burst of fire crippled the British  
machine so that it was forced to  
land. The dead man was alive again,  
but there was another attack to be  
reckoned with, and his machine was  
crippled.

He was taken prisoner, but his  
enemies dined and wine him.

"All my life," he said, "I have  
been trained to hate the English.  
The French, no; the English, yes."

Then he looked up at the friendly,  
smiling faces around him, and burst  
into tears. He had been told that  
once a prisoner he would be grossly  
ill-treated, tortured even.

I do not think any man was worrier  
to leave that mess and go behind  
prison bars. But he still believes  
that his friend sank the Ark Royal.

Last but not least, the regimental  
concert parties are in full swing.

I saw one of their shows in a vil-  
lage hall behind the line. The  
whole programme was contributed by  
members of one regiment. It lasted  
for three hours and was by far the  
best miscellaneous entertainment I  
ever saw.

What we call the comper in Eng-  
land is known as the speaker at a  
French cabaret show. The speaker  
of the concert party of the "2th"  
regiment of coloured infantry is a  
sergeant who may have his equal in  
the professional or the cabaret world,  
but cannot have a superior.

Two strong men of the regiment  
gave a display of acrobatics which  
made us hold our breath. Sentimen-  
tal songs of bygone years were  
as popular with the audience as  
anything. Then a farcical sketch  
was acted with bro and made us all  
laugh till our faces ached.

Another brilliant turn was given  
by a caricaturist who drew portraits  
of eminent personages in politics and  
in the regiment with lightning speed,  
winding up the series with one of  
myself.

The pianist of the evening played  
a fantasia on popular English songs  
in honour of the English guests.

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- F1509 There's danger in the waltz ..... Victor Sylvester & Orch.
- F1509 I never knew heaven could speak
- F1509 I go for that ..... Victor Sylvester & Orch.
- F1510 Serenade to an empty house ..... Billy Thorburn and his Music.
- F1511 Little golden ring
- F1511 Good night my darling, goodnight .... The organ, the dance band
- F1512 Wish me luck as you say goodbye, and Me.
- F1512 Moon remembered but you forgot ..... Leslie Hutchinson.
- F1514 Why begin again
- F1514 Dardanella ..... Joe Daniels and his Hot Shots.
- F1515 Canadian Copers
- F1515 Tin Pan Alley Medley ..... Iver Moreton and Dave Kaye.
- F1517 Valencia ..... Phillip Green and Orch.
- F1517 On C'est Paris.

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# OVERNIGHT NEWS PAGE

## JAPANESE CABINET MEETING

Tokyo, Jan. 4. The first Cabinet meeting of the year was held at the official residence of the Premier this morning after the Court ceremonies marking the inauguration of the New Year.

With the exception of Mr. Ryutaro Nagai, the Minister of Communications, who is ill, all Cabinet Members attended. The Foreign Minister, Admiral Kichimasa Nomura, informed his colleagues that a temporary fisheries agreement was signed between Japan and the Soviet Union on December 31 and that negotiations for the conclusion of a formal convention on fisheries would be continued.

The Foreign Minister further announced that the Soviet Government at the end of last year practically agreed to the Japanese and Manchukuo proposals for the prevention of border disputes.

The Foreign Minister pointed out that joint commissions designed to demarcate the borders between Soviet Russia, Manchukuo and Outer Mongolia as well as to prevent and dispose of border disputes would be appointed as the result of recent negotiations.

Count Tadamao Sakai, the Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, reported that rice markets were making steady developments since the beginning of the current season despite the previous anxiety over the crop failures owing to drought.

The Minister of Commerce and Industry, Mr. Takuo Godeo, made a report on the supply of electric power in accordance with the decisions taken at a joint conference between Government leaders and the Central Price Commission last year.

The Finance Minister explained the additional estimates for the Ministries of Communications, Railways and Overseas Affairs for the coming fiscal year.

It is understood that the Cabinet Council to-day refrained from discussing the political situation in connection with the anti-Government movement by Diet members pending further clarification of the attitude of various political parties.—Domei.

### Awaiting Approval

Tokyo, Jan. 4. The new temporary fishery agreement between Japan and the Soviet Union which was formally signed at Moscow on December 31, will be approved by the Government following an extraordinary Cabinet meeting on Saturday.

The Government is taking steps to submit the matter to the Privy Council on Wednesday, when the Council meets in a formal session in the presence of the Emperor.

It is understood that the present temporary agreement has been designed along the lines of that concluded in April. It contains, however, a special clause calling for the conclusion of a formal fishery convention before the end of this year.—Domei.

### Japan And France

Paris, Jan. 4. Japanese relations with the Allies and Russia on Germany were covered in a thorough discussion by M. Daladier with Mr. Itzeno Sawada on Tuesday, when the Japanese Ambassador is reported to have emphasised Tokyo's desire to improve relations with Britain and the United States and to have urged M. Daladier that France arrange simultaneously a Franco-Japanese diplomatic and trade rapprochement on parallel negotiations.

It is understood that M. Sawada gave assurance that the Japanese Government is at present negotiating a military understanding with Russia but considers its hands free to negotiate a most satisfactory understanding with the major Powers directly interested in Pacific problems.—United Press.

### Reunion Dance

A special Central British Association and Central British School reunion cabaret-supper dance will be held at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel on January 20 at 9 p.m. This is a very special occasion and it is hoped that as many people will attend as possible. Everyone is welcome, and this dance will be open to the general public.

Table reservations can be made by telephone to the reception desk of the Hongkong Hotel, and tickets at \$3.50 double, and \$2 single, will be on sale at the hotel and also at the door that night.

### PANTOMIME SOCIAL

The successful conclusion of the pantomime "All Baba" has prompted the Y.M.C.A., A.D.C., to arrange a pantomime social at the West Lounge on January 11 at 8 p.m. when all who took any part in the production will be invited.

The programme will begin with items for children, followed by refreshments and closing with a pantomime. The production of the pantomime is in the able hands of Messrs. Ashton and Allsopp and Messdames Millard and Petherick. Capt. Petherick is supplying the music.

Pantomime dress will be worn and should lend added gaiety and colour to the evening's entertainment.

# FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN FINNISH-RUSSIAN CONFLICT?

## Nazi Press Attacks

BERLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter Special).—The "Boerster Zeitung" making a new attack on neutral, asserts that since the outbreak of war Britain and France have treated the neutrals in the worst possible manner, but none of the neutrals has protested even when Britain and France at Geneva attempted to legalise the war against Germany within the framework of the League.

The newspaper concludes, "Those who endure so much from the blockade and who participate passively in the anti-German measures must know that in the present circumstances this means complicity with one of the belligerent parties."

## AERIAL ACTIVITY RESUMED

Paris, Jan. 4. The growing aerial activity in the last two days reached its climax to-day in a sharp air fight between a French bomber squadron and a German bomber reconnaissance group escorted by a chaser patrol.

During the sharp dog-fight the French bombers broke through the German defences and brought down two of the larger German planes shortly behind the front lines.

The Germans had resumed deep observation incursions into the territory, reaching the Paris region on Monday and Tuesday.—United Press.

### Flights Into Germany

Paris, Jan. 4. With improved weather on the Western Front, Allied planes in the past 24 hours made four long distance reconnaissance incursions into Germany, penetrating about 250 miles.

Numerous photographic and reconnaissance flights were also made over the Siegfried Line.

German planes were also active and carried out a flight in eastern France extending almost to the Paris region.

On the ground, patrols have been operating almost on the entire front. Two German detachments, each between 50 and 100 strong, were surprised and scattered with heavy losses in the Vosges region.—Reuter.

## NATIONAL DOLLAR

Steady Tone Expected For Next Two Months

Shanghai, Jan. 4. A fair period of stability is predicted for the local dollar by Finance and Commerce in an article summing up the future prospects of national currency.

Remembering that exchange rates in the past week remained steady partly owing to Hongkong selling orders and also some liquidation of the over-bought position, the periodical states the over-bought position for January amounts to 10,000,000 United States dollars. Consequently, although support may not be forthcoming from Hongkong in future to the same extent as in the recent past, it is thought that the market is unlikely to weaken substantially until this over-bought position is liquidated.

Assuming that nothing of major importance occurs to upset the ordinary procedure and the market is left to carry on normally, it would require two to three months to absorb the 10,000,000 United States dollars.

Therefore plain sailing is regarded as most likely until the end of February or beginning of March. After that period it may be hoped that export trade, following the present trend, will have revived sufficiently to maintain a fair balance between supply and demand.—Reuter.

### "Incident" Investigated

Shanghai, Jan. 4. The Japanese Consulate declares that investigations are being continued with a view to clearing up the United States Consulate's protest against the alleged slapping of Miss Frances Donaldson by a Japanese sentry.

The Japanese Consulate is reported to have asked for further information from the American Consulate.—United Press.

## QUADRUPLTS BORN Young Egyptian Wife Has Four Daughters

Cairo, Jan. 4. Ismahia Shehata, 25-year-old wife of an Egyptian banker, has given birth to quadruplets. He has already had triplets.

The quadruplets, all girls, will be named after King Farouk's sisters. Mother and children are doing well.—Reuter Special.

## Possibility of German Help to the Invaders

High Nazi officials are said to have met in Berlin during the past few days to discuss the possibility of assisting the Soviet against Finland in the face of League Members' assistance to the small country and the apparent impotence of the Russian Army to make any decisive movement.

It is also reported that an important meeting is arranged for to-morrow at which the war leaders will confer in Berlin on the possibility of a big spring offensive. It is not anticipated that this offensive will take place along the Western Front where any advance would prove very expensive, but it may involve the invasion of neutral countries, particularly Holland and Belgium, in order to obtain naval and air bases for a concerted effort against the Allies.

Berlin, Jan. 4. It is understood that Herr Hitler is convening a momentous conference of military, Party and Government leaders on Saturday.

Diplomatic circles understand the forthcoming conference will entail important developments in the stagnant war situation.

Military experts believe a decisive clash between the German and Allied forces will be inevitable. They point out that German troops have completed preparations during the past several months and they will probably take the offensive in the spring.

The forthcoming crucial conference is understood to decide on the final plans for the allegedly contemplated German offensive.

Military observers further point out that Germany will continue to take the defensive on the Western Front, but as the foggy season will end about April or May, Germany will concentrate its activity on the sea and in the air.

Some circles believe German forces will probably carry out the anticipated invasion of Holland in an attempt to acquire bases for aircraft and submarines.—Domei.

### War Against Sweden

Kuopio, Jan. 4. According to a Berlin message, it is possible that German military collaboration with Russia in the event of British and French aid to Finland through Sweden and Norway has been discussed at an important War Council.

Hitler, Goering, Himmler, Hess, von Brauchitsch and Admiral Raeder are reported to have taken part in the meetings.

It is stated that further speeding up of the four-year plan was also discussed.

According to the same message, the Soviet Ambassador visited the Wilhelmstrasse several times and another prominent Soviet personality is now in Berlin.—Reuter.

### Finns Attack Railway

Helsinki, Jan. 4. Despatches from Riga say that Finnish ski patrols derailed a Russian troop transport train on the Murmansk railway. Many soldiers were killed and many coaches destroyed.—United Press.

### Karelian Isthmus

Helsinki, Jan. 4. Reports indicate that the Red Army, now commanded by General Stern, is being brought to a strength of 800,000 men in the Karelian Isthmus.

According to reports from Leningrad the order is for a smash attack on the main defences of the Mannerheim Line regardless of cost. The brunt of the attack is expected to be borne by Finnish defenders on the southern end of the Mannerheim Line which has been pounded for days by heavy Soviet guns.

There were several attacks at various points along the Line in the morning. All of them were repulsed with great loss.

Abo, Hangö and Viborg were heavily bombed from the air during the day.—Reuter.

### Finnish Air Force

Helsinki, Jan. 4. An Italian plane piloted by an Italian volunteer led the Finnish bombers in an air raid yesterday on the Estonian island of Oesel, which has been leased to Russia.

The Russians are believed to be using Oesel as a base for sending planes to the west coast of Finland. The raiders flew over Oesel at a height of a few hundred feet and dropped bombs which started fires. Later they returned, flying still lower, and machine-gunned the Russians who were trying to extinguish the flames. The Finns met anti-aircraft fire but returned safely.

Afterwards a reconnaissance plane went to Oesel and found considerable damage done and the fires still raging.

Finnish planes were also active over Murmansk and are reported to have destroyed a big petrol dump.—Reuter Bulletin.

### Foreign Aid

Washington, Jan. 4. Granting loans to Finland up to \$100,000,000 will be provided in a Bill to be introduced at the new session of Congress. These credits will be used for purchase of war supplies.

Remission of debt payments also will be granted.—Reuter Bulletin.

### Aid From Sweden

London, Jan. 4. Further aid to Finland is reported from Stockholm where it is stated that 60,000 Swedish workers will work on Saturday night, which is a Swedish national holiday, and their wages will be donated towards Finland. It is expected that £35,000 will be raised.

at Copenhagen an anonymous business man is reported to have given 10 cars and heavy lorries to be sent to Finland and converted into ambulances.

Polish airmen have volunteered in the Finnish Air Force.—Reuter Bulletin.

### Shanghai Donation

Shanghai, Jan. 4. The Chairman of the Friends of Finland Committee, Mr. K. A. Persen, says Shanghai contributions to the Finnish aid fund are increasing daily. Funds are also donated to the Finnish Red Cross.

The total so far is 7,083 Chinese dollars, 10 United States dollars and 224.

The total donations to the Finnish Red Cross have reached 605 Chinese dollars.—United Press.

## Campaign Against T. B. Further Advice Given To Lung Sufferers

The second series of talks by Dr. P. Medical Services, in connection with the "Campaign Against Tuberculosis" was delivered over ZBW last night. Mr. Ho Kom-tong spoke over ZEK.

The final talk will be given next Thursday.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke said: We discussed last week the assistance which the individual can give in combating Tuberculosis in Hongkong. I want to talk to you now about what I may call the practical communal measures.

If you suspect that you or a relative or friend are infected, do not give way to alarm. Take precautions. Few cases of Tuberculosis are entirely curable. Lately, surgery treatment has been successfully resorted to. The more usual treatment, however, is that known as "conservative."

It consists principally of resting and nourishing the patient and giving his lungs a chance to heal. Rest is very necessary. It is not always possible to leave home, hence the need for sanatoria. From the communal viewpoint, the great value of sanatoria is that, firstly, they make it possible for infectious cases to be removed from overcrowded and insanitary tenements where they are responsible for others becoming diseased; secondly, they enable steps to be taken to treat such patients and, in a proportion of cases, to build up their powers of resistance so that the disease becomes quiescent, thus enabling them to return to active life and work; and thirdly, they provide the means of educating sufferers in the best way of assisting nature in the curative process and in avoiding acting as a source of infection to others.

### Next Best Thing

Of course, people have their living to earn, their families to look after. There must continue to be many walking cases, exhausting themselves and being a potential danger to their associates. These can help themselves and others by adopting a common-sense attitude. But it is obviously desirable to discover and isolate either in the house or, if available, in hospitals, sanatoria and village settlements, those persons who are actually carrying the germs in their bodies and scattering them every time they cough and spit. For this reason, it is the aim of the Medical Authorities to discover, and educate, all infectious cases of tuberculosis and persuade them to isolate themselves.

The first step was taken in this connection early in 1939, when Tuberculosis was added to the list of diseases which must be notified by medical practitioners to the Health Authorities. Up to the end of September, 1939, some 6,832 notifications had been received. This figure only represents a relatively small proportion of the total number of cases, for during the same nine months 3,738 deaths from the disease were registered. It may be fairly assumed that at least five cases, however, it would be unreasonable to suggest that, because a very criminal was not apprehended, there was no point in

## "New Anzacs" Are Ready

WELLINGTON, Jan. 4 (Reuter Bulletin).—The Governor-General of New Zealand, Lord Galloway, this morning reviewed six thousand men of the second Imperial Force, now known as the "New Anzacs." The contingent will shortly be sent for service overseas.

An enthusiastic crowd estimated at 500,000 mobbed the soldiers as they marched past singing Gracie Fields' new song, "Wish Me Luck." The troops were accompanied by no less than nine bands.

## Japanese Explanation

Shanghai, Jan. 4. A Japanese army spokesman stated to-day that following a successful counter-offensive the Japanese forces in Kwantung are strategically withdrawing and concentrating their effectiveness at a certain point.

At the beginning of the counter-offensive the Japanese announced the objective was not direct seizure of towns, but it was designed to wear out much Chinese equipment and inflict as many casualties as possible.

The spokesman said the Chinese are present are claiming the Japanese withdrawal as a Chinese victory. He asserted the Chinese forces are incapable of opposing the Japanese army.

The booty seized during the counter-offensive, the spokesman claimed, represents virtually the whole stocks of ammunition amassed by the Chinese in South China during one year.—United Press.

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# TRIUMPHANT DAY & ROSE ELECT HEAD STAKES WINNERS

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**TRIUMPHANT** Day, the winner of the Rooty-Hill Derby, heads the list with \$2,208, and he was unlucky to lose the Fremantle St. Leger. Although a non-combatant in the last Autumn classic, Lucky Lad finished the season with a credit balance of \$4,300, while Chiltern, owned by Mrs. Eu Tong-sen, has collared \$51 more than Baffin Bay's innings of \$3,000. Lady Northcote's Devonian is fifth on the list with a

However Rose Elect has brought in a sum of \$8,873, and with the inclusion of stakes won by Blue Express (\$1,350), English Cavalier (\$850), Rose Emily (\$2,800) and Rose Fiana (\$1,200), the stable collected a total of \$14,773. Thirty-three griffins faced the post, and nine stood out, did not earn a cent, and the 25 placed ponies drew from the coffers of the Hongkong Jockey Club a grand amount of \$5,500, which list is made up as follows:

Alligator .....	280
Annas Bay .....	280
Avon .....	3,350
B. Diamond .....	2,450
Blue Express .....	1,350
Conquering Time .....	2,650
English Cavalier .....	850

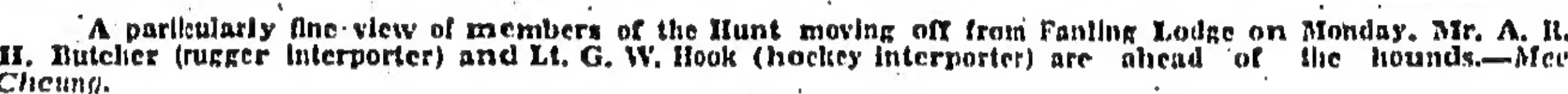
A noticeable feature of the stake winners was that the bulk of the money did not go to one owner's name, the stake being well distributed. Before the races, Markes was undoubtedly the best sub-griffin, but in the second half he started only once in the Subscription "Griffins" St. Leger, and he had to pass on the baton to King Kong, who was proclaimed the champion at the closing meet of the club.

However, Markesman is at the head of the prize list with \$6,030, and "Celtic Star" (\$6,852) is in front of "King Kong," the difference being \$822.

Markesman has a \$4,220 lead and is followed by Strathbannock with \$3,100.

\*It may be of interest to know that Sports Venture holds the record of

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## Quality & Service

Club have selected a fairly strong team to meet Police on Saturday at Navy ground, Aldershot. Bidwell starts centre three-quarter, while the injured List, Henderson has been returned to full-back. J. M. Thomson will be at the base of the pack with Cessford, who played for Club A Saturday at fly-half.

A more comparative newcomer whose name against Navy on Wednesday will fill Bidwell's vacancy in support of D. H. Stewart. Salters makes a return as hooker and Bompas comes back into the second row. Godfrey has been dropped for Deane and the new players are Benson, Charter, A. Alkenhead, D. H. Stewart, Cessford, J. M. Thomson, R. E. Hasman and Bompas. C. F. Needham, A. J. G. Taylor

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LARS MORRIS

**ACROSS**

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It is fastened down the front with a zipper; but you could use a row of buttons and add a row of loop buttonholes to the edge of the right front if you prefer.

**The Pattern**

These two rows form the pattern throughout, except for the collar and sleeve edges.

1st Row.—Turn with 2 ch., \* miss 3 ch., 4 tr. into the next st. Rep. from \* to end, ending with miss 3 ch., 1 tr. into last st.

2nd Row.—1 d.c. into every st.

**Back**

Begin at lower edge with 76 ch. Work 2 extra ch. for turning, then work 2 rows in pattern as given above. (17 groups.)

Continue in the pattern, always making the groups of 4 tr. exactly over the centre of groups in previous row, at the same time shaping the side edges by increasing 1 tr. at each end of every alternate tr. row until the work measures 10 in. from commencement, ending with a d.c. row. (21 groups, measuring 17 in. across.)

**Shape Armhole thus:**

1st Row.—Slip-st. to centre of 1st group, 2 ch., work 4 tr. in each group to the last group, 1 tr. in the last group. (1 group less at each end.)

2nd Row.—1 d.c. into every st. Rep. these 2 rows twice more. (15 groups remain.)

Continue in the pattern without shaping until the armhole measures 6 in. on the straight from commencement of shaping, ending with a d.c. row.

**To Shape Shoulders and Back of Neck**

Next Row.—Slip-st. across the 1st and 2nd groups, work the following 2 groups in the usual way, work 2 tr. and 2 d.c. instead of 4 tr. into the next group, work 4 d.c. instead of 4 tr. into each of the next 2 groups.

1st Row.—Slip-st. across 1st group, work in pattern to end of row.

2nd Row.—1 d.c. into every st.

**Cut-And-Come-Again Cakes**

WHEN these cakes come to table everyone in my home wants a second slice.

First, a date and fig mixture is suitable for children.

Ingredients: ½ lb. flour, ½ lb. margarine or butter, 6 oz. castor sugar, 3 eggs, 4 oz. stoned and chopped dates, 4 oz. chopped figs, the juice of half a lemon, a tablespoon of golden syrup, a tablespoon of milk.

Line a greased tin with parchment paper. Sieve the flour and salt together, add the chopped fruit, stir in the spices and lemon juice.

Thorough Beating Cream butter and sugar, add eggs gradually and beat well. Stir in the warmed syrup and a little warmed milk, and add to the rest of the ingredients. Mix thoroughly.

Four into the greased tin and bake in a moderate oven for two hours. Regula mark at 4.

Whilst the cake is still hot, brush

over with a little hot sugar, and

sprinkle the top with finely chopped dates and figs. Dust with sieved

caster sugar just before placing on

the table.

**Nut-Fruit Cake**

For the grown-ups' Sunday tea. Ingredients: ½ lb. margarine or butter, ½ lb. sugar, 1 tablespoonful of syrup, 3 eggs (a teaspoonful of vinegar can be used instead of one of the eggs), ½ pint milk, 14 oz. flour, 1 teasp. baking powder, 1 teasp. vanilla essence, 5 oz. sultanas, 5 oz. raisins, 5 oz. chopped dates, 3 oz. chopped nuts.

Cream butter or margarine and add the syrup. Break the eggs into a basin, mix with the milk, and add to the creamed mixture alternately with the sifted flour, stirring in the baking powder with the last portion of flour.

Add the prepared fruit and the vanilla essence, bake in a slow oven for 2½ hours. Oven mark 3.

**I HAVE FOUND—**

THAT old socks sewn together and put over the head of the mop make excellent floor polishers.

Tea and cocoa stains on the tablecloth should be treated at once. Wash out in cold water first, then pour boiling water through.

Hot plate marks on polished tables are lessened by rubbing lightly with a soft cloth dipped in a little olive oil and salt.

J. J.

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Get Horlicks to-day from your store.

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**To Shape Shoulder**

Next Row.—2 ch., 1 tr. at neck edge, 4 tr. into each of the next 2 groups, 1 d.c. into the 1st st. of next group. Fasten off.

**Left Front**

Work to match the Right Front, working all shapings at opposite edges.

**Sleeves**

**The Band** Make 6 ch. Turn and work in d.c. until the band is about 10 in. in length (or length required to fit arm closely).

Now commence with 2 ch. and work 16 groups into the band, arranging eight closely-spaced groups in the centre and four wider-spaced groups at each side.

Continue working in pattern without shaping until the work measures 4 in. from commencement (including the band), ending with a d.c. row.

**To Shape the Top**

Miss one group at each end of the next tr. row, then miss one st. at each end of every following d.c. row and 2 tr. at each end of every following tr. row until the sleeve measures 8 in. from commencement, including the band. Fasten off.

**Collar**

This is worked entirely in d.c. Make 75 ch. 1st and 2nd rows—1 d.c. into every st.

3rd Row.—Increase by working 2 d.c. into the 6th st., then in every following 8th st. to the end, ending with 1 d.c. into each of the last 5 sts.

Work 2 rows without shaping, then in the next row increase by working 2 d.c. into the st. over each increasing of previous increasing row.

Rep. these last 3 rows until the collar measures 2 in. from commencement. Fasten off.

**To Make Up**

Join the side, shoulder and sleeve seams. Insert sleeves into armholes, placing the seams to the side seams and easing any extra fullness at the top of the sleeve on either side of the shoulder seam. Sew short edge of collar to neck edge. Work a row of double crochet down fronts and round lower edge of jacket, also round edge of collar. Sew the Zip fastener into position along the front edges.

**SHORT CUTS**

The under sheet should be folded snugly under mattress at both ends in making a bed. Mitered corners make for efficiency and add to the trim appearance of the bed.

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## MATERIALS

7 ozs. of Copley's 3-ply Rayon-Wool. A No. 9 Strainoid crochet hook. A 14 in. open end "Lightning" Plastic Fastener.

## MEASUREMENTS

To fit a 34 in. bust. Shoulder to lower edge, 16 in.

## ABBREVIATIONS

Ch., chain; d.c., double crochet; tr., treble; rep., repeat; in., inches; st., stitch.

## TENSION

2 complete patterns measure about 1 1/4 in. in width. 5 complete patterns measure 3 in. in depth.

Rep. these 2 rows twice more. (3 groups.)

The armhole should now be the same depth as back armhole.

**To Shape Shoulder**

Next Row.—2 ch., 1 tr. at neck edge, 4 tr. into each of the next 2 groups, 1 d.c. into the 1st st. of next group. Fasten off.

**Left Front**

Work to match the Right Front, working all shapings at opposite edges.

**Sleeves**

**The Band**

Make 6 ch. Turn and work in d.c. until the band is about 10 in. in length (or length required to fit arm closely).

Now commence with 2 ch. and work 16 groups into the band, arranging eight closely-spaced groups in the centre and four wider-spaced groups at each side.

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Here's A New Swing Step For You

## THE HITLER KICK

BUT YOU MISS YOUR PARTNER

THE jitterbugs have got a new step. It is the Hitler Kick. You turn around, wriggle like an animated snake, and do a hard kick—just missing your partner, because, though it is a dance with a personal touch, you don't bear him the same ill will.

It's a lively step, and you can put as much expression in it as you want. They are swinging this revised "Hitler" gesture in London.

The suburbs on a Sunday night in a black-out sound as lively as the beach in a winter fog, but at Hamamlyth I found more life than in the whole of the West End, says a Correspondent.

The half-a-crown hop at the Palais means a lot in the life of the young people who work five and a half days a week. At the beginning of the war they were closed down, but gradually local authorities are reopening them, and one more fairy-light of our pre-black-out days is twinkling again.

Finding the Palais was hard enough, though the regulars need no midday sun to guide them. Once inside, they just hung their gas masks on a hat-peg and got going.

"Come on," shouted the crooner. "Get hot, let yourselves go..."

The band didn't play any of the old war tunes—or the new ones. There is enough of that outside, and they were made for marches, not dances. Instead they swung the "Flat Foot Floogie," or lulled them along on "Deep Purple."

It was the true atmosphere of this war, the 1939 war. The girls with their short silk dresses swinging out from the hips, their long Ginger Rogers curls tapping on their shoulders, and their arms and feet flying around as if they were on elastic bands.

**PIERCING**

A few soldiers were there, having a night out, doing a rumba like a Spaniard, or slapping their bolts in the jam session.

Then there was a clarinet solo, as piercing as a siren. A young girl with a halo of ginger curls stepped out to do a solo wriggle, while the rest gathered round her, tapping, clapping, singing.

The organ, with its glass front, like coloured ice, came in, ringing and pounding away a deep bass. The neon lights, snaking across the roof, covered the dancers with a hard, metallic glow.

I watched from the balcony and felt that this was a contemporary picture of the history books, just as our parents in 1914 were photographed in high collars and tight skirts doing a fox-trot at arms' length.

Soon it will be a petrol party, but Sunday night in Hamamlyth, the Army was going hot under its khaki as it did a stamp and a high kick. There were two touches of war for the history book. While they danced the tables behind them were piled up with gas masks and vanity cases. Only a few of the girls came in evening dress, because it is easier to walk home in a short dress and a tweed coat.

An ambulance driver took out his gas mask to show the boys, and began proudly polishing the eyepieces with a handkerchief.

No one talked politics. They just sat out sipping lemonade, talking about the things they did last week. The soldiers, sitting out with their girls, did not disturb their few hours' leave with Army talk.

They all got up for the waltz, a faster, smarter version than the 1914 waltz, but still the same "Blue Danube" tune.

Then at ten the dance ended. And they walked home between the sandbags.

**Missed 109th Birthday By Four Days**

A WOMAN who died recently was born when Queen Victoria was a girl of 11.

She was Britain's oldest woman, Mrs. Emma Coates, of North Curry, near Taunton.

Had she lived four more days, she would have been 109.

In 1839, when she was born, William IV had been king for five months.

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**French General Dies On Western Front**

PARIS, Dec. 14.

THE first French general to be killed in the war, General of Division Raymond Pignaud, was buried at Val-de-grace to-day.

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**Edna Off To Reno**

EDNA BEST, the English film and stage actress, is leaving Hollywood for Reno to secure a divorce from Herbert Marshall.

Her twin sons, James and John Best, now aged 17, and her daughter, Sarah Marshall, aged 6, are with her in Hollywood.

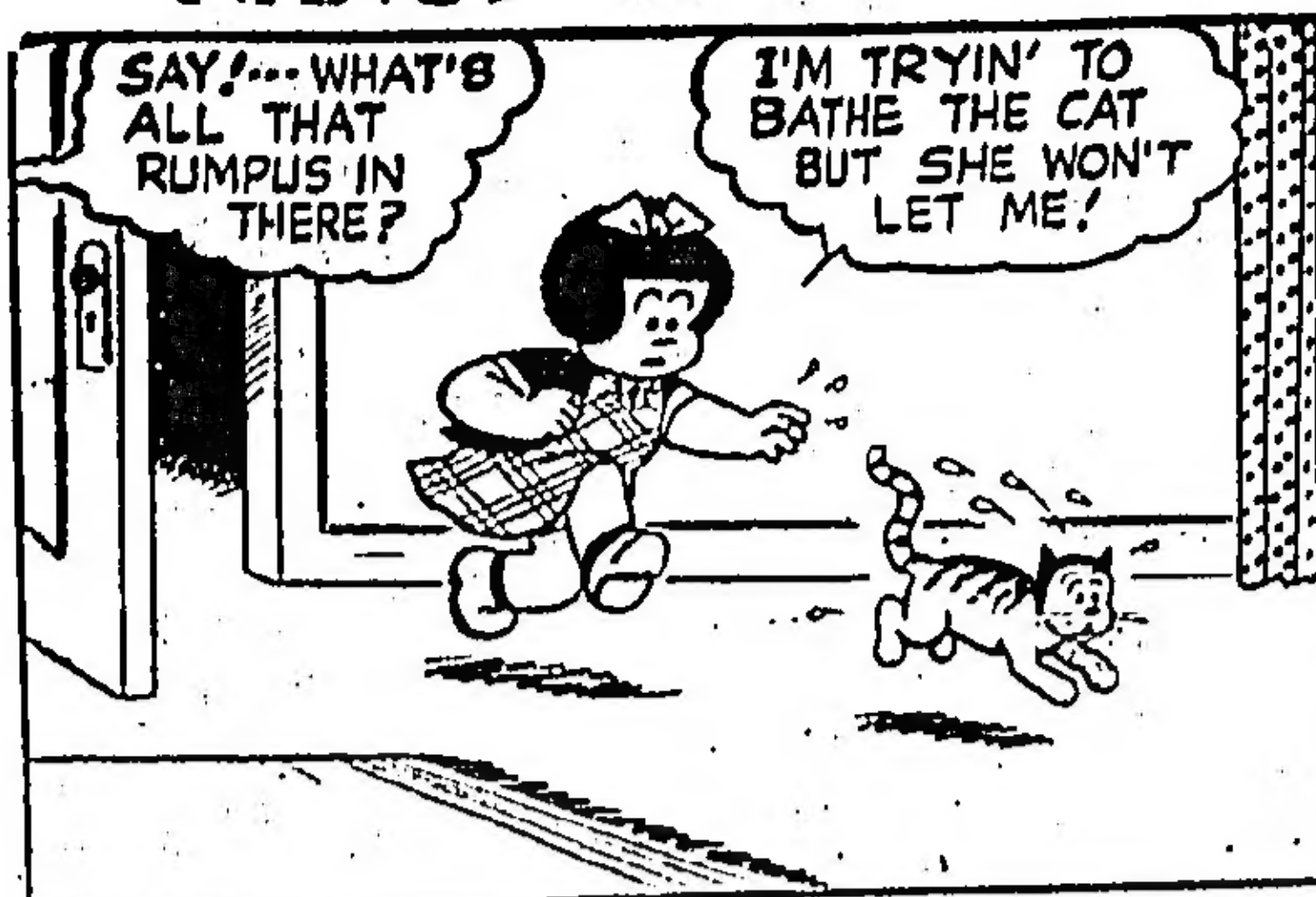
Edna Best was married to Seymour Best, the actor, a friend of her childhood in 1920. A year later her twin sons were born.

In 1923 the marriage was dissolved. Mr. Herbert Marshall being cited as co-respondent. At the same time Mr. Marshall was divorced by his wife.

In December 1928 Mr. Marshall and Miss Best were married in New York.



## NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller

## Astronomical Expenditure By Belligerents

CASH COST OF WAR  
NOW £20,000,000 A DAY

WASHINGTON.—Europe's war is costing the belligerents possibly £20,000,000 a day in current cash outlay alone. Additional costs in losses of property, arms, and commercial revenue cannot be computed now.

The £20,000,000 is an estimate made from the best information available here.

## British Dominions and Colonies:

Canada—A budget of £130,100,000 was voted in September, to include an additional war appropriation of £20,000,000. Defence expenditures for 1939-40, before the declaration of war, had been budgeted at £11,000,000, giving Canada a total of £39,000,000 for war.

Australia: The current budget includes £21,038,400 for the war, but additional defence expenditures, as yet undisclosed, will be necessary. New Zealand: The budget for 1939-40 was increased by £1,200,000 over the previous year, mainly for defence purposes. The Government also planned to borrow £12,000,000 for a public works programme, which probably could be altered to conform to defence needs. Additional expenditures for war purposes have not been disclosed here.

India and South Africa: No figures available.

France: If the French war costs were anything like the £1,000,000,000 appropriated by the British, the German figure would not seem extraordinary. The total Allied expenditures then would be £2,000,000,000 or better, against £2,500,000,000 for Germany.

A French Embassy spokesman said, however, that the British figure would be the greater of the two. A search for more detailed information brought a reply from one official that a complete blackout had fallen on French budget figures. Another said no information intelligible to Americans ever was available.

Budget proposals for 1939 included £125,585,000 for national defence under the Ministry of the Interior, more than a third of the budget total. Separate Army and Navy proposals did not appear in outlines available here. A total of £314,600,000 has been voted in war credits since hostilities started.

The two figures above give the £439,758,000 total used here, a total that seems slight for a Nation at war when American statesmen are talking of £400,000,000 for 1940 defence appropriations.

When France votes more money for 1940, its total will draw nearer the British figure, which covers three months in 1940, as well as nine in 1939.

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Rulers of the Sea" (Alhambra): A tale of sailing ships versus the fiercest sea monster the North Atlantic under steam. With Fyfe, Scots comedian, dominates the film with his characterization of the bumbling old Scots mechanic who according to the story invented a marine engine in his backyard and faced jeers and grievous disappointment on its account a little over a hundred years ago. Douglas Fairbanks, Jun., appears as the rebellious mate of a sailing ship who accompanies Will Fyfe home one night with fateful results. Director Frank Lloyd's storm scenes are magnificent.

"The Cat and the Canary" (Queen's): A Paramount re-make of the silent thriller in which Laura La Plante starred several years ago. Bob Hope makes a good job of the nervous hero whilst Paulette Goddard reveals genuine acting ability.

"Coast Guard" (Majestic): Dramatic story of lady-killer's aerial conquest of a girl who marries his friend's girl, falls to pieces when she leaves him and reforms herself by saving same friend's life. Starring Randolph Scott, Frances Dee and Ralph Bellamy.

"Girls on Probation" (Oriental): Tragic story of a girl's probationary system's part in saving a young girl, persistently and wrongly accused, who finally assists the law against the real offender. Excellent performance by Jane Bryan in leading role.

## OLD SCREENS WANTED

The Emergency First Aid Post requires donations of old screens and screw-top bottles. These should be sent to the Women's Air Raid Precautions Office, Colonial Secretariat. The Bandaging Class at the Helena May Institute will re-open on January 10 from 9.30 a.m.

## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

## 50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1890.  
Victoria English Schools will re-open on Wednesday next, the 8th instant. The teaching staff in the Boys' Department has been increased by the arrival of Mr. Arthur A. Watts, C.M., of Cheltenham Training College. Miss S. E. Taylor, C.M., has been engaged to superintend the Girls' Department, which will, in future, be carried on in a separate building at 21, Eglon Street. In addition to the ordinary English subjects there will be classes for French, Latin, Chinese, Drawing and Singing.

## 25 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1915.  
The damage at Hartlepool is estimated at £100,000. Recruiting in the West Riding is particularly active.

## 10 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1930.  
The British Navy will have its full complement of nine aircraft carriers in service when H.M.S. Glorious is put into commission at Devonport on Tuesday.

The Yee Sang Fat building standing on Queen's Road Central and having frontages also to D'Aguiar Street and Wyndham Street is to be demolished almost immediately and a modern cinema theatre and block of office property erected on the site thus cleared. (This is the King's—Ed.)

## 5 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1935.  
There were "sensations" at the continued trial of Bruno Hauptmann, and the crowded court was breathless when Colonel Charles Lindbergh (identified the accused as the man to whom his intermediary, Condon, paid \$50,000 ransom money for the return of the kidnapped Lindbergh baby).

The abolition of the Sanitary Board and its replacement by an Urban Council is provided for in an Ordinance.



A scene from "Springtime Suite" which will be presented by the George Goncharoff School of Dance at the Kluge's Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

## FURTHER ADVICE GIVEN TO LUNG SUFFERERS

(Continued from Page 5.)

that the time had come when it would be profitable to train a group of medical officers in the early diagnosis of Tuberculosis so that they might be posted as Tuberculosis officers to the various Health Centres which it was desired to establish in all portions of the urban and rural areas.

**Duties of Officers.**  
These officers would not only examine patients sent to them under suspicion, but would also be responsible for getting into touch with contacts. They would also keep a lookout for signs of early infection, so as to be in a position to advise remedial measures at a time when they might be calculated to be effective.

Such Health Centres would also act indirectly in attacking the disease by providing services for expectant mothers, new-born babies, toddlers, school children and those suffering from other so-called social diseases. Simple health talks and demonstrations, cinema and "talkies," pictorial museums and propaganda films, would also be arranged at these centres. This dream is not so far off either, for Government has given leave for certain urban and rural sites to be provisionally earmarked and has provided a taken sum in the Estimates for 1940-41 amounting to \$100,000 for clinics.

Other Government-sponsored activities which are likely to have a profound influence on the Tuberculosis question include the following:

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Trading continues on a broad scale. The price for Dockers has shown some slight recession after touching \$21 3/4, but the demand is not yet satisfied. Electricities, Telephones & Wharves have also been in some demand. Hongkong Banks have come to business at \$1,380 with further enquiries for scrip.

**Buyers**  
Union Ins. \$430  
Hotels \$5 1/2  
Tinmways \$17.10  
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Electricities \$53 1/2  
Telephones (Old) \$24 1/2  
Ropes \$5.00  
Watsons \$9.10  
Entertainments \$8 1/2  
Constructions (Old) \$1 1/2  
**Sales**  
H.K. Bank \$1,380  
Union Ins. \$430  
Wharves \$102  
Dockers \$21.30 1/2/80 3/4/70  
Providents \$4.55  
Hotels \$5 1/2  
Electricities \$53 1/2  
Telephones (Old) \$24 1/2  
Telephones (New) \$9.10  
Cements \$17 3/4

(a) hygienic camps for upwards of 12,000 homeless persons;  
(b) Nutrition Research Committee to advise on malnutrition and economic dietaries;  
(c) Town Planning Board to devise schemes for zoning, town-planning, slum clearance, etc.

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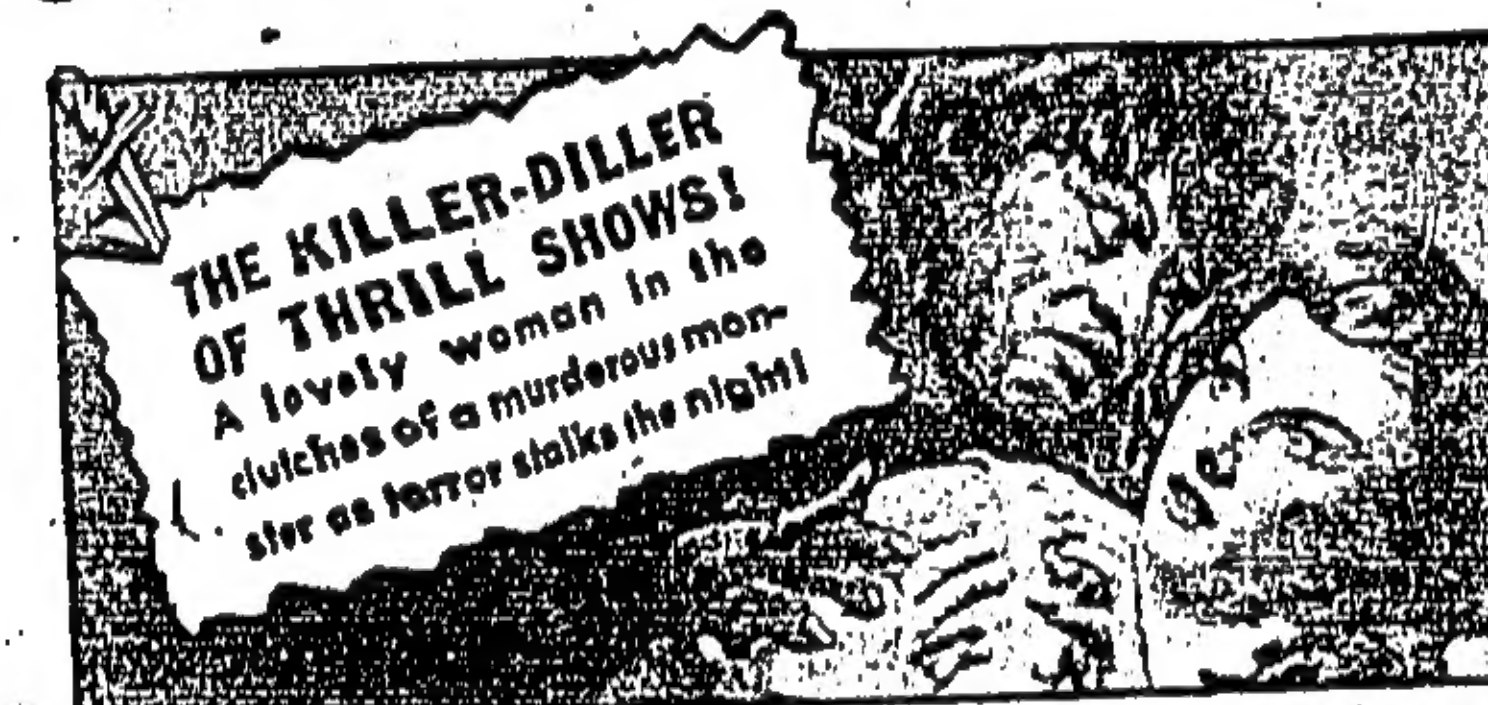
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"MONKEYS in the CRAZIEST PEOPLE"  
"SHEEP in the MEADOW" (Cartoon)  
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## Allied Blockade Cuts Reich from 6 of 7 Seas DANUBE BECOMES THE NAZI LIFE-LINE

LONDON, Jan. 3 (UP).—Confronted with an Allied blockade which is slowly and surely tightening, it is reported that Germany is turning increasingly towards the Danube as a means of obtaining supplies and shipping her exports.

The Allied blockade has cut Germany off from all but one of the seven seas.

The exception is the Baltic, through which Germany is reportedly obtaining so far only Russian timber and Swedish iron ore.

Two-thirds of the latter have to be shipped round Norway's Atlantic coast.

Russia ships almost all of her oil, wheat, fodder, and manganese ore exports from Black Sea ports, wherefore increased German trade with the South-east and Russia depends upon an extension of Danube shipping.

There are, however, technical difficulties in the way of unlimited expansion.

**Water Too Low**

Firstly, below Vienna the Danube rushes downhill with increasing force and upriver traffic is only practicable by tug convoys, secondly no vessel larger than 600 tons can pass the Iron Gate.

In summer and autumn the water is often too low even for such ships, whilst in winter the lower reaches, sometimes as far as Vienna, are wholly closed to ice.

The three German-controlled companies, Donau Dampfschiffahrts Gesellschaft, Bayerische Lloyd and Czech S. D. P., own together between 350,000 and 400,000 tons of tugs, barges and lighters. In addition there are a further 375,000 tons of similar vessels sailing under Hungarian, Rumanian, and Yugoslav flags, as well as some British, Dutch, and French river tankers.

It is stated that only half her pre-war trade could be carried by river.

It is believed that Germany intends to transfer tugs and barges from the Rhine, where shipping is almost paralyzed, but the Rhine-Meuse-Danube canal will need at least another year's labour before transfer will be possible.

Thus concentration on the Danube as a means of evading the blockade is not expected to provide an immediate solution to Germany's dilemma, despite starting upriver traffic at Turnu Severin, above the Iron Gate, with larger Rumanian tugs plying the lower part of the river from the Black Sea coast.

## LATE NEWS

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Sir Philip Game, Commissioner of Police has, in consequence, been able to grant annual leave to nearly every member of the C.I.D.

## King Orders Windsor Estate to Be Ploughed

LONDON, Jan. 3 (UP).—The King has given orders that more land is to be put under the plough at his Windsor farms, so that extra crops of wheat and barley may be grown.

The vegetable production at Windsor Castle is also to be considerably increased.

The royal herds of pedigree cattle will be maintained.

The King's three year old colt Cosmopolitan has been sold privately to the British Bloodstock Agency. Cosmopolitan who won a sprint handicap at Newmarket in July is by Sir Cosmo out of Papilla.

## MERCY SLAYER FACED WITH ELECTRIC CHAIR

NEW YORK, Jan. 2 (UP).—Authorities indicate that there will likely be little mercy for "Mercy" slayer Lawrence Rougeau, 26.

Their investigation seemed to prove that five-year-old James Fitzpatrick, his victim and step-son, had been a normal child in all respects.

## GAS MASKS ARE OLD INVENTION

LONDON, Jan. 2 (UP).—Over one hundred years ago, before poison gas or any other methods of modern warfare were thought of, the gas mask was in existence.

As long ago as in 1825 a workman of the period had thought of the possibility of a gas which would kill and had devised some sort of protection against it.

It consisted of a leather hood similar except in material to the modern mask and completely enveloping the head and rendered airtight at the neck by straps and a padding of wadding.

The hood had two eyeholes protected by glass or mica, and a breathing tube the orifice of which was filled with moist sponge and covered over by coarse woolen cloth, the former being intended to absorb harmful gases and the latter to eliminate solid particles such as those of smoke.

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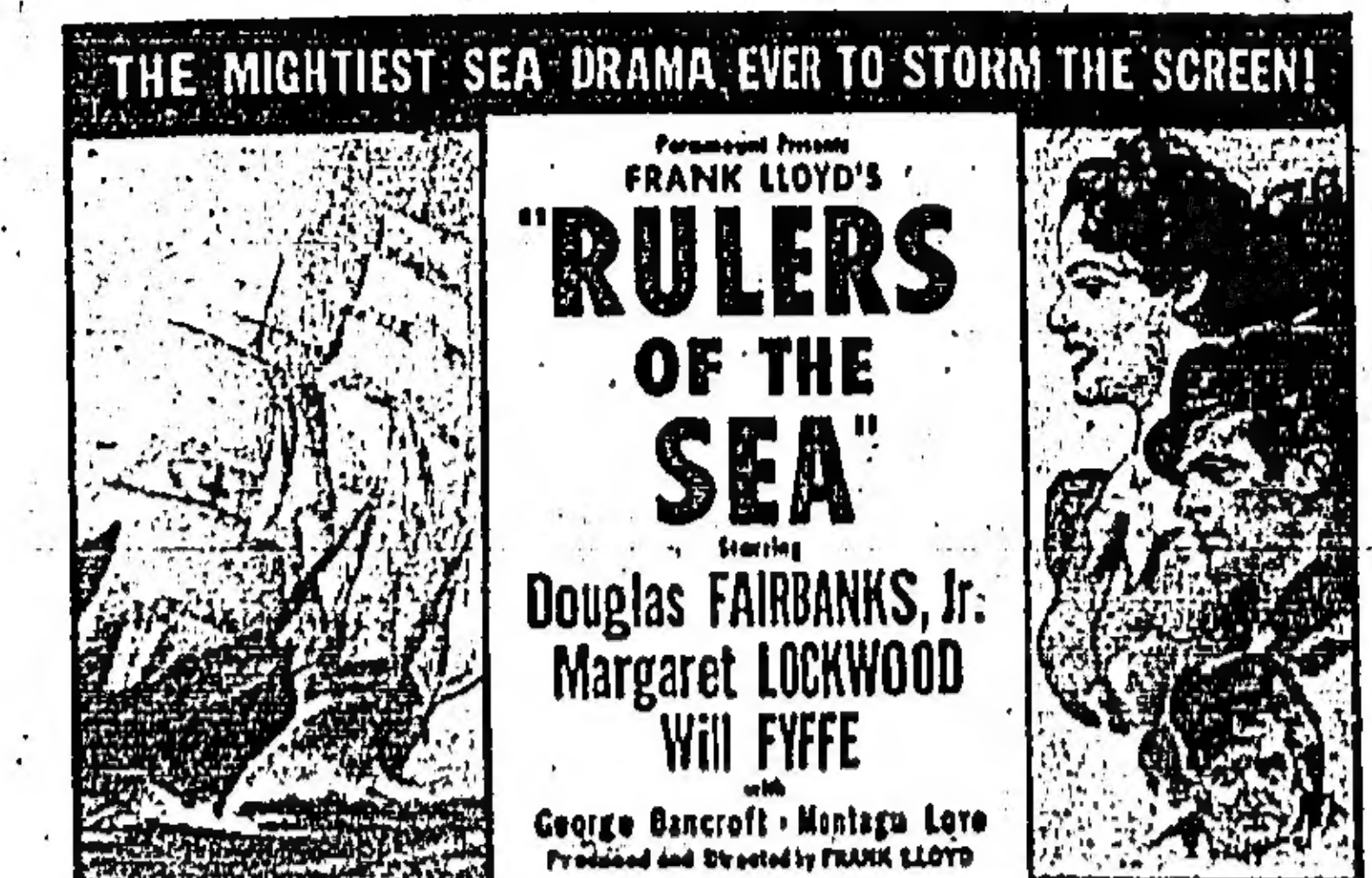
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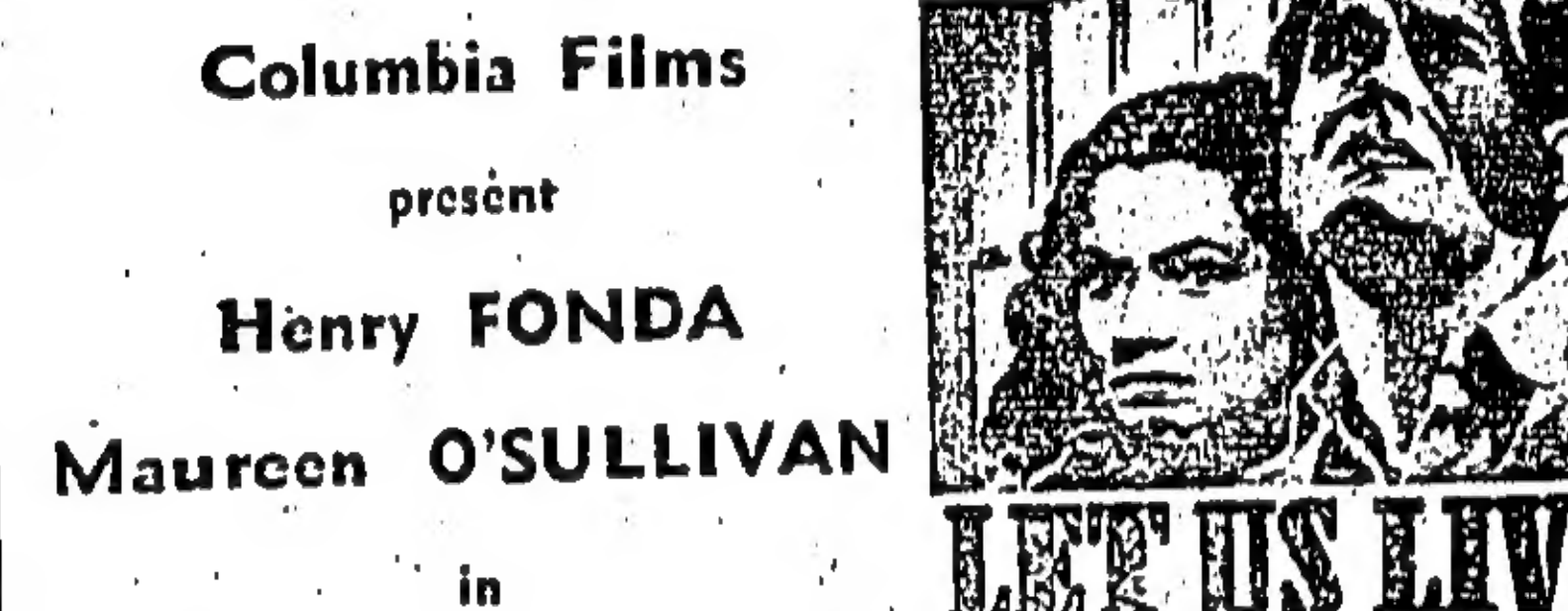


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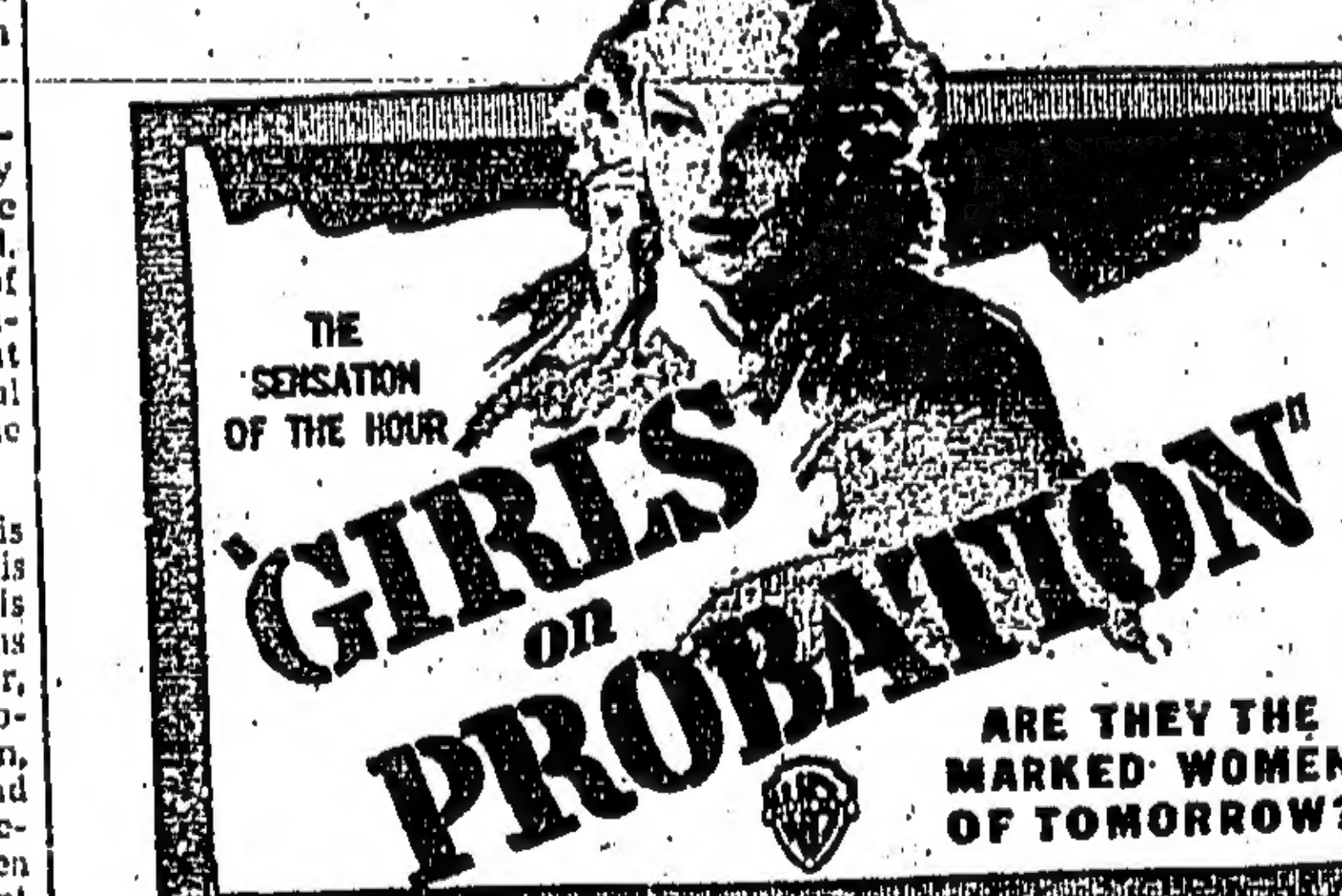
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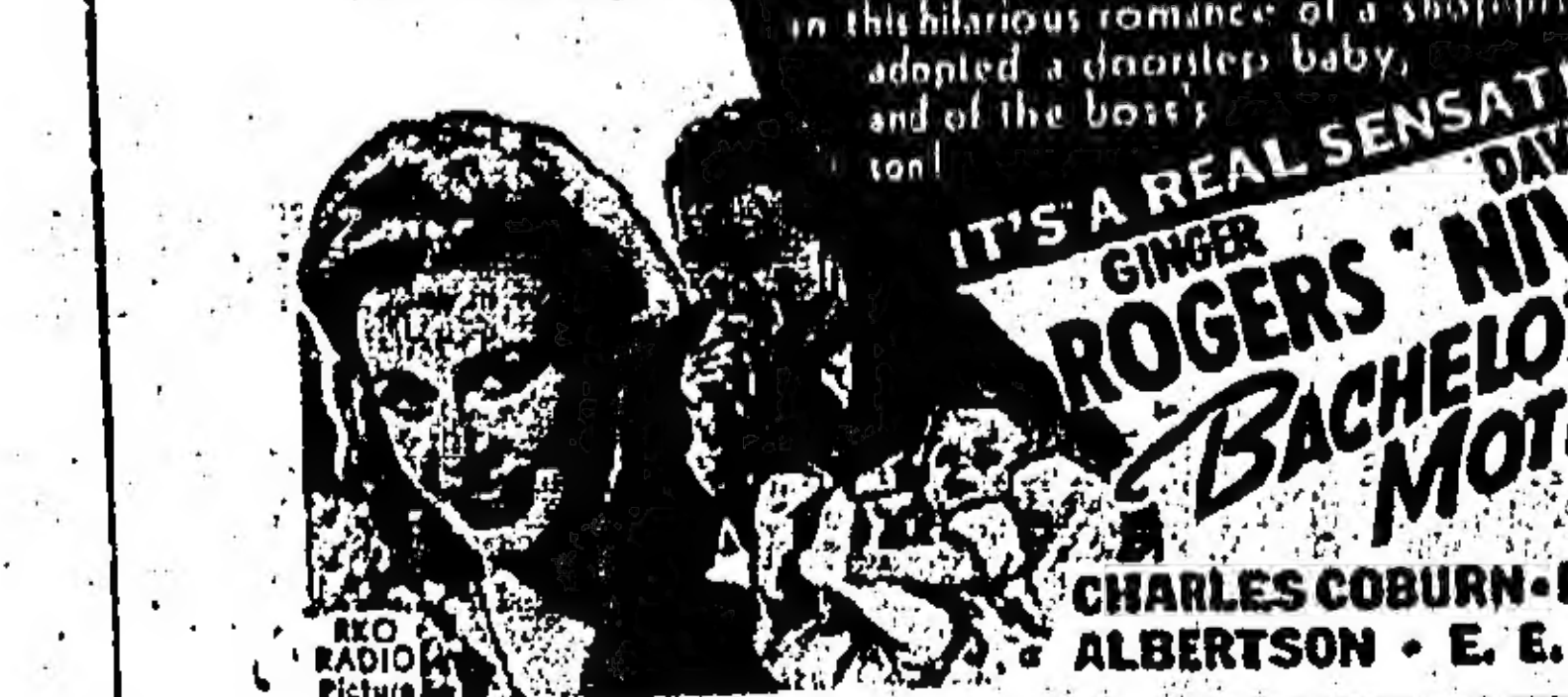
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## PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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1	New Kowloon Island Lot 229	Adj. to New Kowloon Island Lot 226	N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	As per sale plan.	As per sale plan.	As per sale plan.
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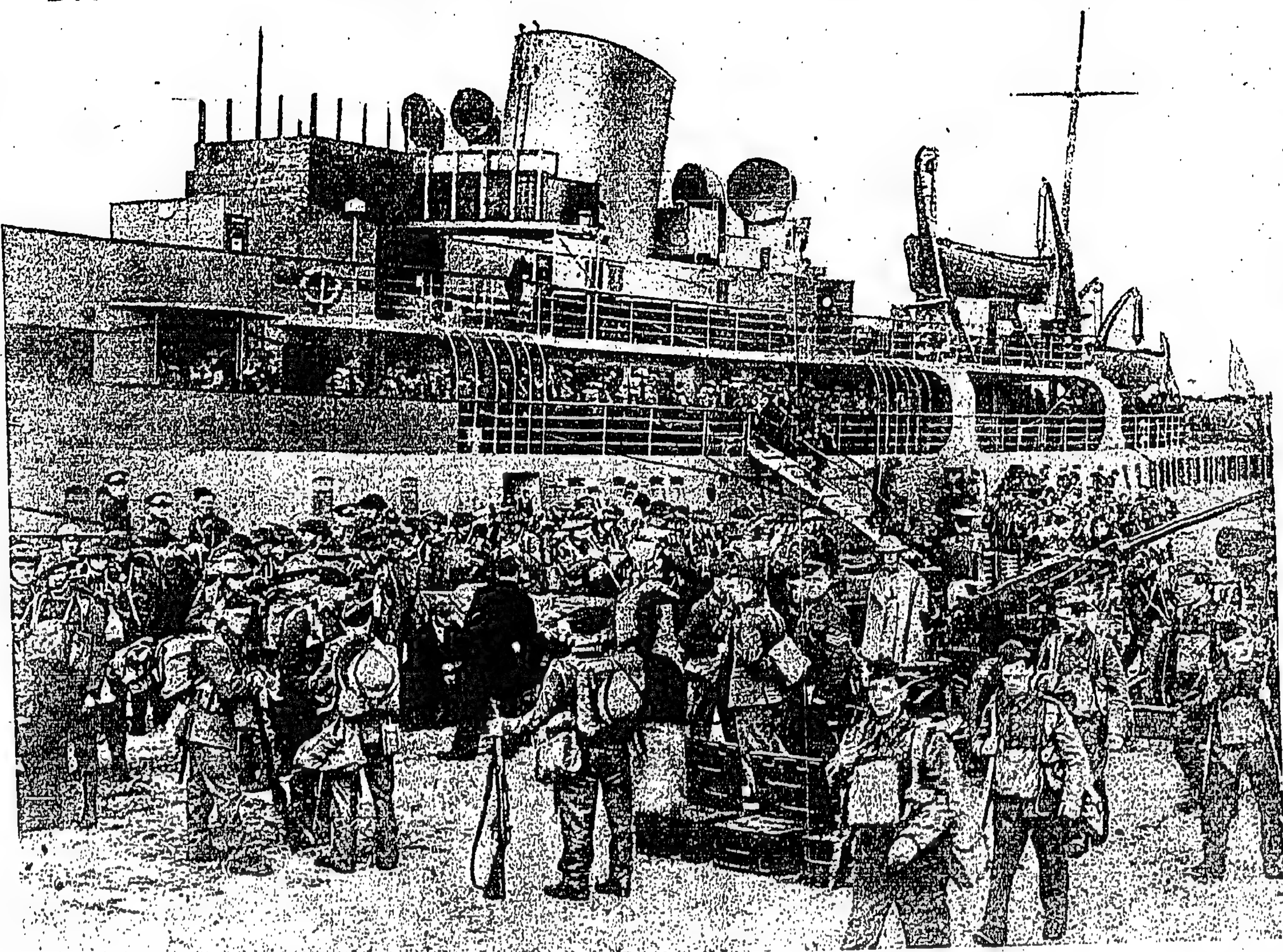
## Little Action On Western Front

PARIS, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—To-day's communiqué states that there was no important incident during the day. There were some encounters of patrols in the region west of the Sambre.

## P. I. Restrictions Removed

Cabin class passengers embarking at Hongkong for ports in the Philippine Islands are no longer required to furnish themselves with cholera immunization certificates. The provisions regarding immunization and stool examination remain in force for steerage type passengers regardless of the class of transportation occupied.

# BRITISH TROOPS DISEMBARKING IN FRANCE



ON ACTIVE SERVICE—An official photograph taken while British troops were disembarking at a French port.

## COLOSSAL AMERICAN DEFENCE BUDGET

—FROM PAGE ONE

rest and most powerful in the world.

### 48 Ships To Be Built

Six other battleships, two aircraft carriers, six light cruisers, 14 submarines, 30 destroyers, two flotilla leaders, one mine-sweeper, one repair ship, one submarine depot ship, six seaplane tenders, one mine-layer, four submarine destroyers and eight torpedo-boats are included in the estimates.

### Old Ships Made New

In addition, the estimates provide for the re-conditioning and re-equipping of two battleships, an aircraft carrier, two cruisers, eight destroyers, six submarines, a submarine depot ship, three seaplane tenders, a mine-sweeper and five over-age battleships and three over-age submarines. Among the warships to be re-conditioned are the U.S.S. Lexington and U.S.S. Saratoga, America's two biggest aircraft carriers.

### \$95,000,000 Increase

The ordinary Defence appropriations requested by President Roosevelt amount to \$1,539,000,000 (£384,750,000). Coupled with various other appropriations connected with military enterprises, the total is brought up to \$2,350,000,000 (£564,000,000), which is an increase of \$811,000,000 (£195,250,000) over the current expenditure.

In addition to the construction of 80 new warships, President Roosevelt seeks the expenditure of \$50,000,000 (£12,500,000) for the construction of an air base at Alameda, the terminus of the existing trans-Pacific air line to Hongkong, the building of a new dry-dock at San Francisco and preliminary work on the construction of a naval base at Fanny Island.

The Maritime Affairs Commission will absorb \$140,000,000 (£37,250,000) of the Budget.

Ordinary expenditure on the U.S. Army will total \$956,000,000 (£239,000,000).

## ROOSEVELT'S LAST BUDGET ANNOUNCED

—FROM PAGE ONE

One of the largest army construction items is \$1,204,000 for barracks in Hawaii.

### Bigger Income Tax?

The President did not tell Congress how to raise the proposed new defence taxes, but suggested that they should follow the principle of taxing according to the ability to pay and avoid taxes which decrease the consumer's buying power. It is generally believed that this rules out the excise taxes and suggests the possibility of higher income taxes.

## Exchange At A Glance

SELLING

T.T. London	1/2 3/4
Demond do.	1/2 3/4
T.T. Shanghai	305
T.T. Singapore	52 3/4
T.T. Japan	103
T.T. India	82 1/2
T.T. U.S.A.	24 1/2
T.T. Manila	48 1/2
T.T. Batavia	45 1/2
T.T. Bangkok	108 1/2
T.T. Saigon	10 1/2
T.T. France	107
T.T. Switzerland	107
T.T. Australia	1/6 1/2

BUYING

4 m/s L/C London	1/3 7/32
4 m/s D/P do.	1/3 11/32
4 m/s L/C U.S.A.	25 1/2
4 m/s France	11 1/4
30 d/s India	84 1/2
U.S. Cross rate in London	4.02
U.S. Cross rate in N.Y.	3.95 3/4

## LETTERS

"Time"

To the Editor,

The "Hongkong Telegraph."

Sir,—Your esteemed contributor in his interesting article on "Time" has overlooked some important factors on the subject. For instance, rent is monthly or yearly, but on a day in the future, again, taking Time by any kind of measurement, say by the year, day, or the tick-tock of a time-piece, there is no such thing as "The Present Time", because it does not exist except as an expression of the human mind or brain denoting an infinitesimal or imaginary dividing line between the Past and the Future, both of which do exist because they are the "Two Halves of Eternity"; also because a good memory can, to a certain extent, resurrect the Past, and a good anticipation may be able to foretell the Future to some extent.

To answer the question re New Year—of course there is, seeing that our 1940 represents the latest of the laps that our Earth has just commenced on its course around the Sun from the starting and finishing point which we are pleased to call New Year's Day, after having made—I can't say how many, but—a good few laps, and let us hope for many more and better ones if possible.

I have been writing of Time in reference only to this world, and not the next or any other, though I expect that the Man in the Moon or the Man from Mars may be of quite a different opinion, so I do not wish to force it home by "peaceable persuasion" or any other high pressure.

W. C. BLACKETT.

## 1939 Racing Performances

(By "Capt. Foster")

(Continued from Page 6.)

starting 22 times including five excursion trips to Macao, and the pony made \$1,000 to provide for his day and corn.

I enumerate below a list of the starters during the year and also with the amount of stakes won, some being without a cent.

Alpha	—
Argon	—
Ascot Vile	900
Avalon	—
Battleship	150
Black Diamond	—
Blaisdon	50
Bogey	150
Bressay	1,200
Caliente	5,852
Celtic Star	300
Charcoal	2,050
Chatterbox	—
Cyclone	—
Devon Dimping	150
Devon Jones	150
Fairchild	150
Fan Tan	1,250
February Fourth	600
Gallant Marshal	—
Gauche	900
Geordie	—
Boey	—
Gold Tower	—
Green Bay	900
Guinness Time	2,650
Heddon	700
High Tower	150
King Kong	250
King's Navy	1,700
Kat Cheung	—
Lambeth Bridge	850
Magog	6,850
Marksmen	1,250
Martador	—
Mayfair Court	—
Mercury	1,000
Millicent	4,225
Muskeles	611
National Honour	775
National Justice	675
National Liberty	—
National Service	—
New Bedford	—
Old Fashioned	125
Orangetown	2,372
Orangetown	275
Pail Mall	—
Patriotic Day	—
Pawnee	1,800
Phoenix	1,700
Portrush	1,200
Portrush	400
Ring Master	425
Rose Day	—
Rostrevor	—
Sea Captain	400
Sea Horse	750
Silver Star	—
Shilling Time	1,100
Snowstorm	1,700
Some Hope	—
Sports Venture	1,000
Sports Venture	1,200
Starlet	3,100
Strathmore	1,225
Talkative	400
Thanksgiving Day	—

## BIG RED AIR RAID

—FROM PAGE ONE

planes which had been shot down, captured Russian tanks and other war material.

### How Reds Were Routed

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—More details of how the Finns routed the Soviets at Suomussalmi a few days ago became available to-day.

The Finns had no artillery available and so operated in small groups. They first destroyed the field kitchens, then the supplies and then the convoys, eventually the almost starving Soviet troops.

The Finns have now turned a large number of captured Soviet tanks to good use. The tanks are half-sunk into the ground and make excellent pill-boxes.

### Big Battle Raging

STOCKHOLM, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Reports from Rovaniemi, the headquarters of the Finnish Northern Army, say that the second battle to be fought on the Salla front within a week is now raging fiercely to the north of Salla.

On Finland's eastern frontier, it is rumoured that the Russians are having a bad time, and that already they have been thrust back across the frontier.

### Ski-Sledges For Wounded

OSLO, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—Finland has ordered 300 ski-sledges here to transport wounded.

Norway is presenting Finland with a further 200 ski-sledges.

Thirty doctors and numerous nurses have answered the Finnish appeal for medical assistance.

### Russians Repulsed

HELSINGFORS, Jan. 4 (UP).—The official Finnish communiqué states that all Russian attacks and attempts to recapture strategic sites have been repulsed.

It claimed that the Finns have captured Atteiojoki. Fighting continues east of Suomussalmi and around Salla, 189 Russians being taken prisoner in the mopping up operations at Suomussalmi.

Russian planes bombed Hangö this morning and afternoon, forty to fifty thermite and incendiary bombs being dropped with slight damage. It is also claimed that Finnish patrols off Fort Koivisto captured a Russian tugboat which was sunk after capture.

The Buccaneer	250
The Grey Tiger	175
The Mermaid	250
The Spirit of St. Louis	1,000
This Time	200
Tiger Eyes	1,300
Tiny Tim	—
Torridge	—
Total Loss	—
True Love	1,000
Welcome	1,250
West Lake	2,250
Willie Bear	1,225
Willingly	1,000
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### INWARD MAILS

Canton	Jan. 5
Calcutta at 1 Straits	Jan. 5
Formosa and Swatow	Jan. 5
Japan	Jan. 5
Shanghai	Jan. 5
U. S. A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco date, 15th December 1939)	Jan. 5
Canton	Jan. 6
Japan and Shanghai	Jan. 6
Manila	Jan. 6
Rabaul and Manila	Jan. 6
Shanghai and Swatow	Jan. 6
Straits and Saigon	Jan. 6
Europe via Suez and Straits (London Date, 18th November)	Jan. 7
Haiphong	Jan. 7
Saigon	Jan. 7
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct"	Jan. 7

### OUTWARD MAILS

Friday, Jan. 5	
Haiphong	3 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	3.30 p.m.
Straits and Swatow	3.30 p.m.
Manila	7.00 p.m.
Saturday, Jan. 6	
Saigon	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	1 p.m.
Air Mail for "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—due London, 14th January	
G.P.O. and K.P.O.	
Reg.	Jan. 6, 5.00 p.m.
Ord.	Jan. 6, 5.30 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 7	
Fort Bayard and Holchow	9.00 a.m.
Parcels only for Shanghai	9 a.m.
Shanghai and Japan	9 a.m.
Monday, Jan. 8	
Canton	7.15 a.m.
Tourane and Saigon	9.30 a.m.
Bangkok	10.30 a.m.
Haiphong	1.00 p.m.
Shanghai and Parcels only for "Klen"	

## WE CAN CRUSH HIS ARMADA

—FROM PAGE ONE

Home Defence force is at least 3,000 warplanes.

Behind them is a vast stored and secret reserve, figures of which cannot be revealed.

Lord Nuffield's new factory, now in full production, has an order for 1,000 Spitfire fighters alone, which will swell the total of defending aircraft in 1940.

### Pace Too Hot

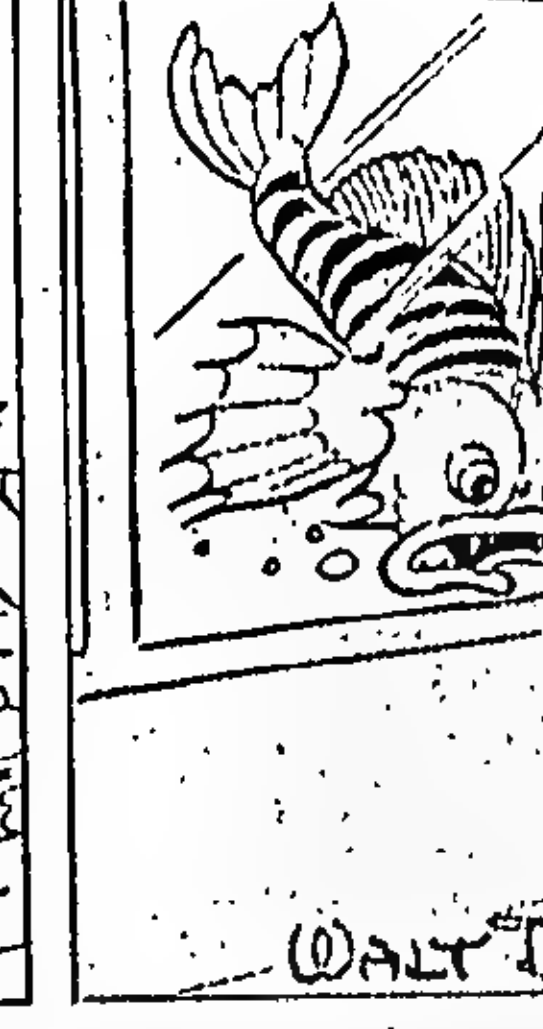
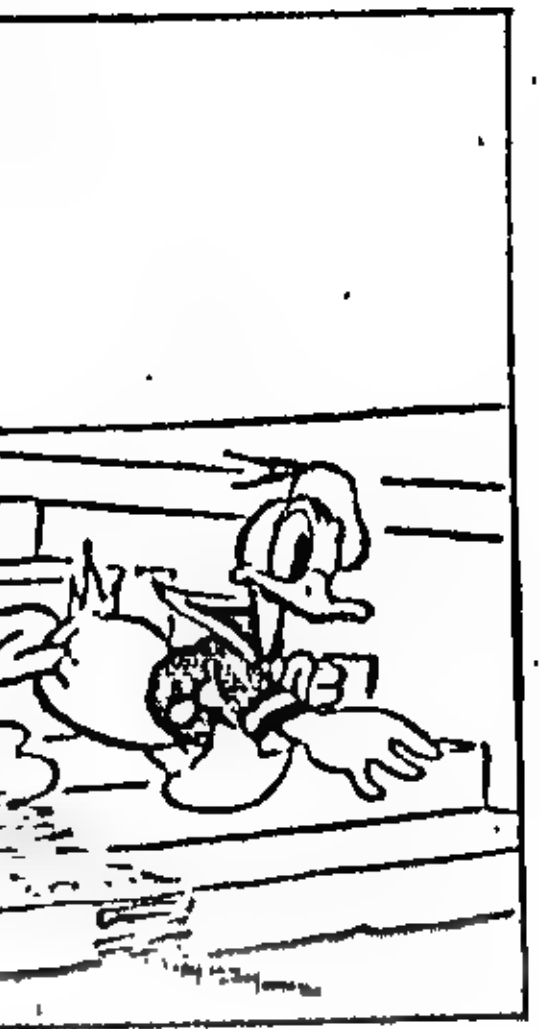
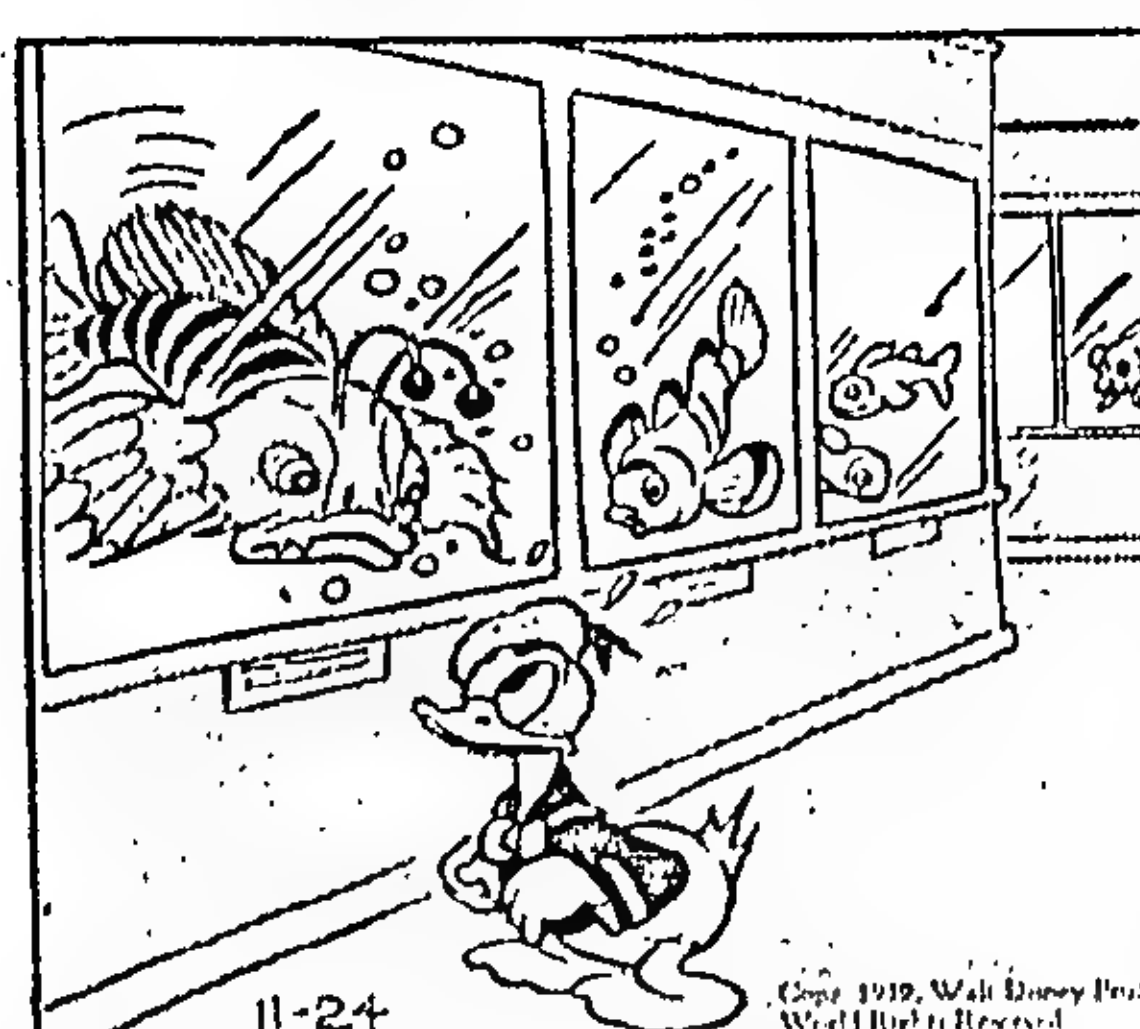
The present production of the British aircraft industry is the result of five years of careful planning, which will assure a prodigious output of warplanes, aero engines, and instruments all through 1940, the peak year of the effort planned when rearmament began.

There is nothing that Germany can do to beat this magnificent effort.

It may be doubted, in view of the Navy's grip on Germany through the Contraband Patrol, whether Nazi output is able to keep up to anything approaching this pace.



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ther Report.

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Behind the Line with  
French ColonialsINTENSIVE TRAINING: FIRST-  
CLASS CONCERT PARTIESBy RICHARD CAPELL,  
"Daily Telegraph" War Correspondent  
WITH THE FRENCH ARMY.

Within the last week or so the privilege has been mine of making a more than passing acquaintance with a French division.

There may possibly be similar experiences in store, but not quite the same thing can happen again.

The division has taken me under its wing. Day after day I have gone to and fro among the infantry

regiments and the cavalry, among the gunners and the sappers and the men of the medical corps, not to speak of the General and his Staff.

Anyone who has been "adopted" like this must ever afterwards feel a special loyalty. No other division can in his eyes be quite what his first one is.

Names and numbers are unmentionable. All I can say is that my hosts are a colonial infantry division, and that the war of 1939 has already been a real war for them.

## A Familiar Chord

The word colonial must not be understood as necessarily denoting the inclusion of coloured troops. It means, in the case of my division, that the regular officers and non-commissioned officers have seen overseas service. The only men of colour it includes are attached to the artillery.

These mild-looking, cheerful fellows make first-rate chauffeurs and signallers. I have talked with them—they have been educated at mission schools and speak French—and I have eaten rice at their field kitchen.

The snap of frost which came in the third week of November made them shiver, but they are in good health.

But the sight of these children of Ham is not the only reminder one gets of the French overseas empire. Conversation at the messes in a colonial division touches casually on North or West African stations, Syria and Indo-China.

One may never have seen those places, but there is something in this which strikes a chord familiar to the English guest.

## "Ragging" The Chaplain

At the end of luncheon we drink to the future of the two Empires—French and British and then there is the traditional shout in unison: "In the name of God, long live the Colonials!"

One meets at such messes a variety of types—the intense professional soldier, the infectious jovial, and the consummately polished.

The regimental chaplain is by tradition the object of banter. This can be pretty fierce, but the chaplains know how to take it. They are first-rate men, and the "ragging" they get is really a tribute to their humour and patience. They are greatly esteemed.

And in parentheses let me say that if any reader has a two-seater motor-car to give away, I happen to know a Colonial division chaplain who asks no more than that to be perfectly happy. No man on earth would make better use of it.

When the official accounts are published of the decorations earned by valour in this autumn fighting it will be found that the Colonials have played their part.

One point on which I should like to contribute the testimony of my observations is the work put in by the divisional engineers. On the more or less undefined front as it was when they took it over they must have told like Trojans.

Within a few days a whole village of huts has sprung up at an appropriate spot to accommodate the first leave men—the happy few for whom "divisional rest," so called, is really a holiday.

## Three Hours' Concert

For the others the word is a mere euphemism. Intensive training goes on in all the fighting units.

Nazi Airman Who  
Feigned Death  
SHOT DOWN BY R.A.F.  
FIGHTER PLANEBy PETER LAWLESS  
"Daily Telegraph" War  
Correspondent

With the R.A.F. in France, who sank the Ark Royal? At least, who thought he did? In an R.A.F. mess in France the strange Nazi misconception arose. The man who thought he had achieved the success was the bosom companion of a prisoner, pilot of a Dornier shot down in the Chalons-sur-Marne area on Thursday.

The pilot said his friend had sunk the Ark Royal, and no one understood to disillusion him.

A Reservist with four children, a man of 31 who has done 1,000 hours of flying in four years, the pilot was brought down in a fight with British Hurricanes.

His companions leaped with their parachutes, one to death, the other to be made a prisoner. Alone, he feigned death, rolling relaxed in his seat. Beside him pored a Hurricane, and its pilot, thinking the day's work done, went on.

## Taught To Hate English

Then the Nazi pilot scrambled back into the cockpit and with a burst of fire crippled the British machine so that it was forced to land. The dead man was alive again, but there was another attack to be reckoned with, and his machine was crippled.

He was taken prisoner, but his enemies dined and winned him.

"All my life," he said, "I have been trained to hate the English. The French, not the English, yes."

Then he looked up at the friendly, smiling faces around him, and burst into tears. He had been told that once a prisoner he would be grossly ill-treated, tortured even.

I do not think any man was sorrier to leave that mess and go behind prison bars. But he still believes that his friend sank the Ark Royal.

Last but not least, the regimental concert parties are in full swing.

I saw one of their shows in a village hall behind the line. The whole programme was contributed by members of one regiment. It lasted for three hours and was by far the best miscellaneous entertainment I ever saw.

What we call the compe in England is known as the speaker at a French cabaret show. The speaker of the concert party of the 21st regiment of coloured infantry is a sergeant who may have his equal in the professional or the cabaret world, but cannot have a superior.

Two strong men of the regiment gave a display of acrobatics which made us hold our breath. Sentimental songs of bygone years were as popular with the audience as anything. Then a farcical sketch was acted with brio and made us all laugh till our faces ached.

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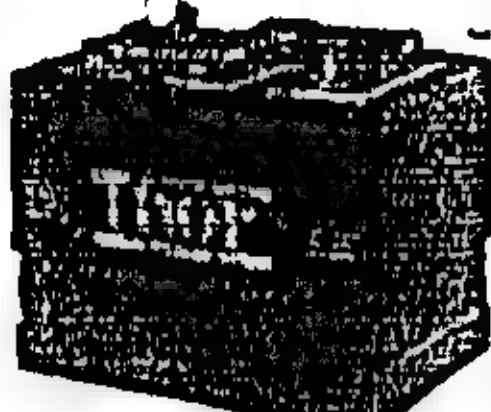
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**DEATH**

FORSTER.—On Thursday, January 4, 1940, at the French Hospital, William Latton Foster, aged 75 years, late Chief Officer S.S. "Chuen Chow." Funeral will pass the Monument at 5 p.m. to-day.

**The  
Hongkong Telegraph.**

Friday, January 5, 1940.

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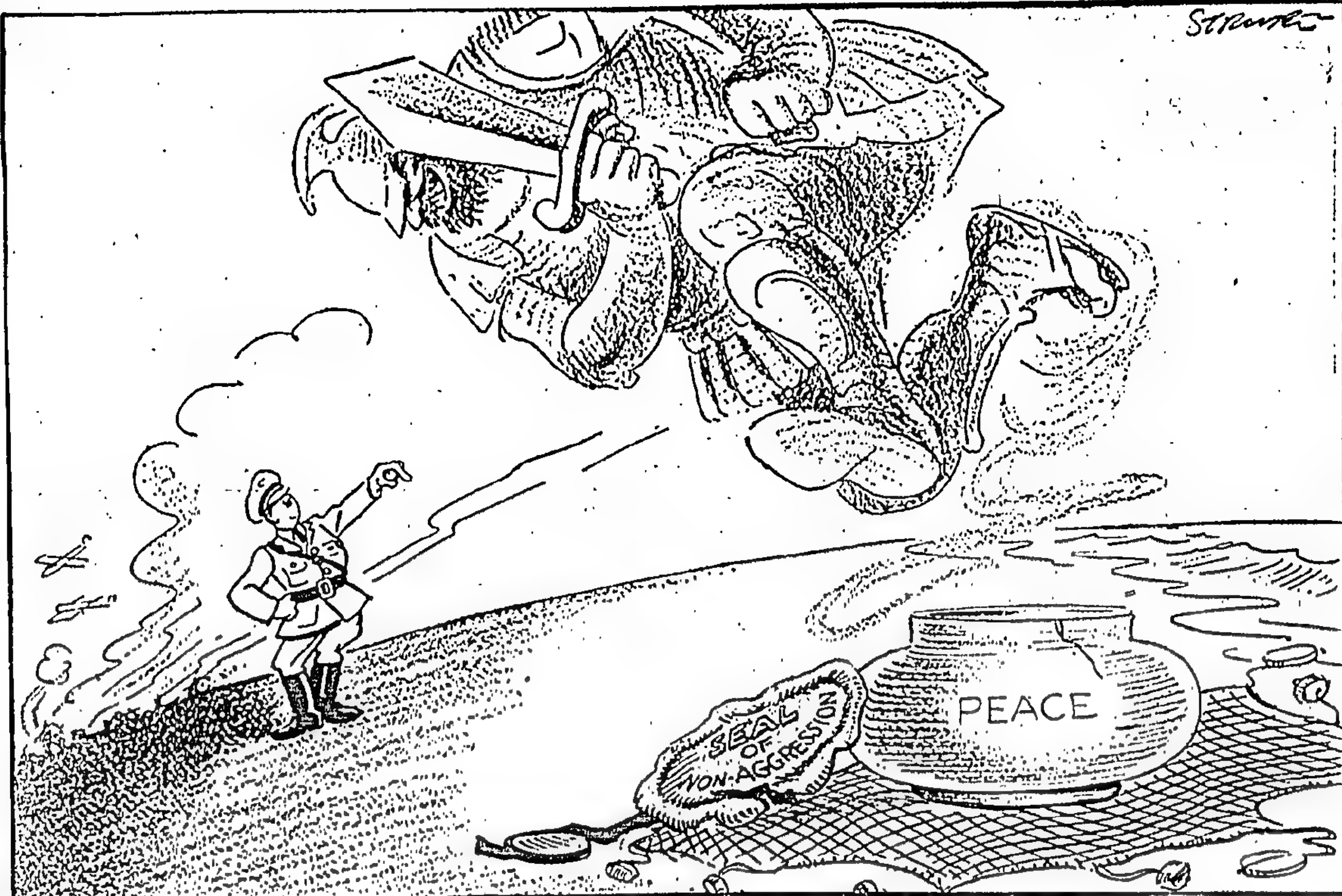
**Premature**

THERE is a considerable amount of sympathy in the British Empire for the German people, ground down as they are by the Nazi tyrants, and the Allies make it a condition of peace that Germany shall rid herself of the Hitler gang and establish a Government whose word counts for something.

With all our sympathy, however, it must be admitted that Germany produces, in her public life at least, a larger number of scoundrels per head of the population than perhaps any other country in the world. Some such thought may have prompted Lord Bradbury to remark that the German people have shown themselves prone to allow themselves to be dominated by leaders who have made them impossible neighbours to other peoples who desire to live their own lives. Therefore no settlement which merely eliminates a particular individual is going to prevent the rising of another obnoxious individual or another equally damnable political creed.

To overcome this danger Lord Bradbury proposes that the terms of settlement ought to be based on two guiding principles. The first is that nothing should be done to prevent Germany from taking her proper place as a member of a peaceful family of European nations. The second is that everything should be done to prevent Germany from again acquiring lethal weapons and the trained personnel to make use of them, and she should be required to submit to a comprehensive system of international supervision to secure this beyond a peradventure.

This looks very simple and reasonable, but would Germany or any other great nation consent to restrictions of this sort? In any case, discussion of settlement terms is somewhat premature. The first thing to be done is to win the war. It is not wise to count our chickens before they are hatched.



HITLER: "THE WAR IS OVER, HEIL HITLER, NOW BACK IN THE BOTTLE!"  
GENIE: "AH, BUT I'M DICTATOR NOW."

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Ten shells for every German shell  
Ten tanks for every German tank ☞

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are making this  
slogan come true

**S. W. ALEXANDER**

City Editor of the "Daily Express"

describes a tour of  
Britain's armament works

shortage unless by some chance the expenditure of shot and shell should be vastly greater than anything yet thought of.

IN one great factory I visited there was a Hall of Giants. Not a single man among the thirty engaged in that particular place was less than six feet in height—great, muscular men, fine specimens of physical fitness.

As a mere five-foot-one-and-a-half specimen I gazed admiringly on these huge men, lifting with pairs of tongs huge pieces of steel with their feet. Their boots are made of special material, partly asbestos, and their clothing, too, provides protection against fire.

And here and there were men pushing along these same pieces of high-grade steel with their feet. Their boots are made of special material, partly asbestos, and their clothing, too, provides protection against fire.

THERE are, of course, exclusive places where no unauthorised person is permitted to go—and if by chance you did get in you would not get out again.

Many of these buildings are strangely camouflaged. It is no longer possible to identify them from the air. Water courses which might have reflected the moon by night have been hidden by cunning devices.

IN one place you will find men working in complete safety making those small bullets for the .303 rifle. Small things these bullets are—but beautifully fabricated of high-grade steel and cleverly put together.

The method is simple—not unlike those child-time puzzles in which you shake the contents of one box into another in exactly the required position.

While millions of small bullets are mass-produced every day, every one of them has to be carefully examined, by the human eye, for faults. Those that have the slightest defect are instantly rejected. After their assembly, these bullets come into the hands of these checkers.

Many of them are elderly men with still-keen eyes, lining up the bullets by the score—examining first tops and tails and then sides. The chances of a defective bullet passing out are thus very small. These folk realise their responsibility and go about their work as if their lives depended on it—as indeed they may do.

ELSEWHERE I saw the making of heavy bombs for our Royal Air Force.

And here I saw the sandblasters. How come it that men are pleased to be shut up during their working hours in little fortresslike buildings? Pleased to be dressed in a weird head-dress designed to give protection to their eyes and ears, doing nothing else all the time but spraying vast quantities of tiny pieces of hard steel—under great pressure—on to the sides of these bombs in order to smooth them off and remove accumulations of muck acquired in the process of manufacture?

There are plenty of people willing to take on that job—even though it means working in terrific noise and what may appear to others to be great inconveniences.

If, for instance, you want to communicate with one of these men, a gentle tap at the door will do no good at all. He won't hear. You will have to hit the sides of his fortress with something like a sledgehammer—and if you hit hard enough he will just hear a gentle tap.

Maybe sandblasters are born, not made.

TREMENDOUSLY interesting, too, is the work of repairing the big guns. If you go to some of these works you will find a number of huge guns lying on the grass. They look as if they are being uncared for. Not at all. They are covered with rust-resisting paint, and their insides are full of grease—the ends being protected by wooden blocks.

A sixteen-inch gun for the British Navy weighs an enormous tonnage and throws a shell weighing many hundredweights for a great distance. Its life is probably only a few hundred rounds.

The life of smaller guns may be as much as a few thousand rounds, but all big guns at some time or other have to come in for repair. Their tubes wear out and they have to have new ones—new linings.

This involves taking out sixty feet of steel tube and inserting a new one.

The gun barrel is lifted up gently by rope which is nine inches in circumference and will carry a weight of 150 tons. It is put end-up into a great pit, where it is heated by gas—a formidable arrangement of gas pipes is involved in this. The old tube is carefully taken out, and when it gets cold again the new one is put in.

In all this work the steel used has to be of the highest grade.

The development of high-grade steel in the past fifteen years has altered the structure of the big guns.

There are some old ones in these factories which still have inside them thousands of yards of what we used to call piano wire. It was there to take the compression as the gun was fired.

The new steel makes that unnecessary. It also makes for simpler construction and longer life.

As these great guns are made or remade, they are taken away, perhaps, disguised as a kind of birthday cake on wheels, and are tried out—shelling into vast mounds of sand.

LET me tell you about the machines in these vast factories.

One of the most important is the rifling machine. This makes those beautiful grooves in the tube of the gun which cause the shell to rotate at a great speed as it takes its course.

A message I recently received from America said that the British munitions factories were full of German machines. It suggested that in this matter of munitions-machinery we were away behind the other man.

Germany has always specialised in certain types of small machine tool. We have specialised in others which they do not produce, and Switzerland and America have specialised in yet other types. In normal times, this division of labour is a good thing.

In these big armament works I have looked out especially for German machines. I could find only one German rifling machine. It was obtained under conditions which are unlikely to have caused it to be selected as a bad specimen for our special benefit. But the quality of the materials of which it is made is so poor that it has broken down several times. It is not comparable with the corresponding British tool.

ALL steel coming into these works is first electrically drilled for a sample. This is sent to the laboratory. The temperature at which it shall be treated is decided from that sample. It is numbered, and followed through to the finished job.

Do not imagine, however, that there are no problems to be solved. Rapidly expanding industry always brings its own problems.

There are problems of skilled labour, and there is an urgent need that women should be allowed to come into the factories and participate in this work.

Some men have been reluctant to agree, but to-day the problem is primarily one of making ready the necessary facilities and accommodation.

There is, on all sides, complete evidence that all are willing to make sacrifices for the common good.

Mr. Leslie Burgin, the Minister of Supply, and his staff are working night and day, for it is realised that at all costs the men at the front must be supported.

The great mass of the public, the wives and children of the front-line men, can, in my view, have complete confidence that this purpose will be achieved.



OVERNIGHT  
NEWS PAGETHEY FEEL  
THE PINCHFront Line Soldiers Short  
Of Clothes

COPENHAGEN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—According to reports reaching here, the Allied economic warfare is now being felt in Germany, even among the troops in the Siegfried Line.

The reports assert that many men are in want of new uniforms and other clothing. Even the richest Germans, it is reported, are finding it hard to obtain new clothes which are particularly needed now because of the very cold winter.

## No-Food Shortage

Generally speaking, however, there is no serious food shortage provided that one has the money to pay for it, but the fare obtainable is monotonous, and to a certain extent lacking in nutriment.

Freezing German waterways are holding up coal deliveries. This, combined with the shortage of clothing and the extreme cold, augurs ill for the comfort of the Germans for the remainder of the winter.

Irish Army Is  
UnderminedDramatic Criticism In  
Eire Senate

DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—In the Eire Senate to-day, Professor Michael Tierney said that he was not surprised at the raid on the magazine in Phoenix Park.

It was patent to anybody familiar with what was going on in the army that things were bad. Discipline was undermined and there were irregularities which would never be permitted in any ordinary army.

## National Govt. Urged

Professor Tierney urged the formation of a National Government and said that unless the two principal parties in Eire came to some arrangement, they would soon find that the country had no use for either of them or for Parliamentary institutions.

General Richard Mulcahy urged co-operation between the governments of Eire, Great Britain and Ulster, so that Eireann citizens would not be allowed to damage property or endanger lives in North Ireland or Britain, or endanger national relations between Eire and Britain.

## "Must Have Discipline"

DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—While the Senate was sitting, the Daily considered another Bill which seeks to put into permanent form, legislation authorising the detention of persons suspected of activities against the State.

It is necessary for the Government to introduce this Bill in order to repeal the second part of the Offences Against the State Act, which Mr. Justice Duffy recently pronounced unconstitutional.

Mr. Aiken, the Minister of Defence, said: "When small nations are falling like nine-pins all over the world, it must have discipline, and the Government must have the support of all good citizens in suppressing revolutionary activities."

## Over 20 Arrests Made

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—It is now reported that over 20 men were arrested to-day in the city and county of Cork.

The arrests are believed to be part of a general round-up of Republicans.

## Mr. De Valera's Hint

DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The Daily has passed the final stage of the Offences Against the State Bill by 62 votes to seven.

Labour and one Independent voted against, but the Opposition supported the Government.

Mr. Eamon de Valera, in the course of the debate, said that carelessness in routine was responsible for the magazine raid and remarked that it would be serious if the Act was unconstitutional.

If such were the case, it would be necessary to change the Constitution.

Another Trawler  
Feared Lost

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The Aberdeen trawler, Danedon, is ten days overdue and is feared lost.

The Danedon left Aberdeen on December 11 and was last seen in fishing grounds in the same vicinity as the trawler, Star of Scotland, on the day when the latter was bombed by German aircraft.

Dalai Lama's  
Enthronement

CHUNGKING, Jan. 4 (UP).—It is officially announced that the 14th incarnation of the Dalai Lama will ascend the Throne with elaborate ceremony on February 23.

FOREIGN INTERVENTION IN  
FINNISH-RUSSIAN CONFLICT?Nazi Press  
Attacks

BERLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter Special).—The "Boersen Zeitung" making a new attack on neutrals, asserts that since the outbreak of war Britain and France have treated the neutrals in the worst possible manner, but none of the neutrals has protested even when Britain and France at Geneva attempted to legalise the war against Germany within the framework of the League.

The newspaper concludes, "Those who endure so much from the blockade and who participate passively in the anti-German measures must know that in the present circumstances this means complicity with one of the belligerent parties."

H.K. Stock  
Market

The following quotations were issued on the Hongkong Stock Market this morning.

**BANKS**  
H.K. Banks, \$ 1,380 aa.  
H.K. Banks (Lon. Reg.) £33½ n.  
H.K. Banks (H.K. Reg.) £85½ n.  
Chartered £ 84½ n.  
Moreau, A. & B. £ 29½ n.  
Moreau, C. £ 11½ n.  
East Asia \$ 78 n.

**INSURANCES**  
Canton \$ 200 b.  
Union \$ 440 aa.  
China Underwriter \$ 174 n.  
H.K. Fire \$ 185 n.

**SHIPPING**  
Douglases \$ 72 b.  
Steamboats \$ 11 n.  
Indo-China \$ 100 b.  
Indo-China S.S. \$ 80 b.  
Shell (Boaters) \$ 81½ n.  
Waterboats \$ 7½ n.

**DOCKS ETC.**  
Wharves \$ 102 aa.  
Docks \$ 2170 aa.  
Providents \$ 19.00 n.  
New Eng. Sh. \$ 214 n.  
Sh. Docks \$ 214 n.

**Mining**  
Kailan s/- 17½ n.  
Ruhls \$ 10.50 n.  
Venz. Gold \$ 4 n.  
H.K. Mines \$ 4 cts. n.

**LANDS**  
Hotels \$ 5.25 b. & aa.  
Lands \$ 33 n.  
Lands 4% Deb. \$ 100 n.  
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Humphreys \$ 8.00 n.  
H.K. Realities \$ 4.35 b.  
Chinese Estates \$ 101 n.

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China Lights (new) \$ 4.00 n.  
H.K. Electric \$ 17½ n.  
Macao Electric \$ 18½ n.  
Sundakan Lights \$ 11.10 b.  
Telephones (old) \$ 24.75 aa.  
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Dairy Farms (new) \$ 21½ n.  
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Powell, Ltd. \$ 1 n.

**COTTON MILLS**  
Kwo Sliced \$ 28.50 n.  
Shui Cotton Sh. \$ 15 n.  
Zong Sing, Sh. \$ 44 n.  
Wing On Textiles, Sh. \$ 40½ n.

**MISC.**  
H.K. Entertainments \$ 6½ b.  
Constructions (old) \$ 1.75 b.  
Constructions (new) \$ 1.8½ n.  
Vibro Piling \$ 1.8½ n.  
Ch. Govt. 5% 1925 \$ 40 n.  
G. Bonds \$ 40 n.  
H.K. Govt. 4% Loan \$ 100 n.  
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Marsmans (Lon.) s/- 14½ n.  
Marsmans (H.K.) s/- 4½ n.

INTERPORT NOT  
YET ARRANGED

SHANGHAI, Dec. 5 (UP).—The Shanghai Football Association has not yet arranged definite schedule for Hongkong, but it is expected that the usual three matches will be played over the Chinese New Year holidays in late February.

The games will no doubt be v. the Interport XI, v. the All-Chinese stars, and v. either a combined Chinese-foreign team or a British Army side.

## GERMAN COMMUNIQUE

BERLIN, Jan. 4 (UP).—The High Command communiqué says, "On the western front between the Moselle River and the Palatinate forest there was somewhat lighter artillery fire than on the previous day."

The air force reconnoitred over France and the North Sea. One British plane was shot down near Aix-la-Chapelle after flying over Luxembourg. The plane crashed near the frontier on Belgian territory."

Possibility of German  
Help to the Invaders

High Nazi officials are said to have met in Berlin during the past few days to discuss the possibility of assisting the Soviet against Finland in the face of League Members' assistance to the small country and the apparent impotence of the Russian Army to make any decisive movement.

It is also reported that an important meeting is arranged for to-morrow at which the war leaders will confer in Berlin on the possibility of a big spring offensive. It is not anticipated that this offensive will take place along the Western Front where any advance would prove very expensive, but it may involve the invasion of neutral countries, particularly Holland and Belgium, in order to obtain naval and air bases for a concerted effort against the Allies.

Berlin, Jan. 4. It is understood that Herr Hitler is convening a momentous conference of military, Party and Government leaders on Saturday.

Diplomatic circles understand the forthcoming conference will entail important developments in the present war situation.

Military experts believe a decisive clash between the German and the Allied forces will be inevitable. They point out that German troops have completed preparations during the past several months and they will probably take the offensive in the spring.

The forthcoming crucial conference is understood to decide on the final plans for the allegedly contemplated German offensive.

Military observers further point out that Germany will continue to take the defensive on the Western Front, but as the forty-seven season will end about April or May, Germany will concentrate its activity on the sea and in the air.

Some circles believe German forces will probably carry out the anticipated invasion of Holland in an attempt to acquire bases for aircraft and submarines.—Dowd.

## War Against Sweden

Kaunas, Jan. 4. According to a Berlin message, it is possible that German military collaboration with Russia in the event of British and French aid to Finland through Sweden and Norway has been discussed at an important War Council.

Hilfer, Goering, Himmler, Hess, von Brauchitsch and Admiral Raeder are reported to have taken part in the meetings.

It is stated that further speeding up of the four-year plan was also discussed.

According to the same message, the Soviet Ambassador visited the Wilhelmstrasse several times and another prominent Soviet personality is now in Berlin.—Reuter.

## Finns Attack Railway

HELSINKI, Jan. 4. Despatches from Riga say that Finnish ski patrols derailed a Russian troop transport train on the Murmansk railway. Many soldiers were killed and many coaches destroyed.—United Press.

## Karelian Isthmus

HELSINKI, Jan. 4. Reports indicate that the Red Army, now commanded by General Stern, is being brought to a strength of 600,000 men in the Karelian Isthmus.

According to reports from Leningrad the order is for a smash-through of the main defences of the Mannerheim Line regardless of cost. The thrust of the attack is expected to be borne by Finnish defenders on the southern end of the Mannerheim Line which has been pounded for days by heavy Soviet guns.

There were several attacks at various points along the line in the morning. All of them were repulsed with great loss.

Abo, Hangö and Viborg were heavily bombed from the air during the day.—Reuter.

## Finnish Air Force

HELSINKI, Jan. 4. An Italian plane piloted by an Italian volunteer led the Finnish bombers in an air raid yesterday on the Estonian island of Oesel, which has been leased to Russia.

The Russians are believed to be using Oesel as a base for sending planes to the west coast of Finland. The raiders flew over Oesel at a height of a few hundred feet and dropped bombs which started fires. Later they returned, flying still lower, and machine-gunned the Russians who were trying to extinguish the flames. The Finns met anti-aircraft fire but returned safely.

Afterwards a reconnaissance plane went to Oesel and found considerable damage done and the fires still raging. Finnish planes were also active over Murmansk and are reported to have destroyed a big petrol dump.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Foreign Aid

Washington, Jan. 4. Granting loans to Finland up to \$100,000,000 will be provided in a Bill to be introduced at the new session of Congress. These credits will be used for purchase of war supplies.

Remission of debt payments also will be granted.—Reuter Bulletin.

## Aid From Sweden

London, Jan. 4. Further aid to Finland is reported from Stockholm where it is stated

"New Anzacs"  
Are Ready

WELLINGTON, Jan. 4 (Reuter Bulletin).—The Governor-General of New Zealand, Lord Galway, this morning reviewed six thousand men of the second Imperial Force, now known as the "New Anzacs." The contingent will shortly be sent for service overseas.

An enthusiastic crowd estimated at 500,000 mobbed the soldiers as they marched past singing Grace Fields' new song, "With Me Luck." The troops were accompanied by no less than nine bands.

Japanese  
Explanation

Shanghai, Jan. 4. A Japanese army spokesman stated to-day that following a successful counter-offensive the Japanese forces in Kwangtung are strategically withdrawing and concentrating their effectiveness at a certain point.

At the beginning of the counter-offensive the Japanese announced the objective was not direct seizure of towns, but it was designed to wear out the Chinese fighting power, seize as much Chinese equipment and inflict as many casualties as possible.

The spokesman said the Chinese at present are claiming the Japanese withdrawal as a Chinese victory. He asserted the Chinese forces are incapable of opposing the Japanese army.

The booty seized during the counter-offensive, the spokesman claimed, represents virtually the whole stocks of ammunition massed by the Chinese in South China during one year.—United Press.

Campaign Against T. B.  
Further Advice Given  
To Lung Sufferers

The second series of talks by Dr. P. Selwyn-Clarke, Director of Medical Services, in connection with the "Campaign Against Tuberculosis" was delivered over ZBW last night. Mr. Ho Kom-long spoke over ZEK.

The final talk will be given next Thursday.

Dr. Selwyn-Clarke said: "We discussed last week the assistance which the individual can give in combating Tuberculosis in Hongkong. I want to talk to you now about what I may call the practical communal measures."

If you suspect that you or a relative or friend are infected, do not give way to alarm. Take precautions. Few cases of Tuberculosis are entirely curable. Lately, surgical treatment has been successfully resorted to. The more usual treatment, however, is that known as "conservative." It consists principally of resting and nourishing the patient and giving his lungs a chance to heal.

Rest is very necessary. It is not always possible in the home, hence the need for sanatoria. From the communal viewpoint, the great value of sanatoria is that, firstly, they make it possible for infectious cases to be removed from overcrowded and insanitary tenements where they are responsible for others becoming infected; secondly, they enable steps to be taken to treat such patients and, in a proportion of cases, to build up their powers of resistance so that the disease becomes quiescent, thus enabling them to return to active life and work; and, thirdly, they provide the means of educating sufferers in the best way of assisting nature in the curative process and in avoiding acting as a source of infection to others.

## Next Best Thing

Of course, people have their living to earn—their families to look after. There must continue to be many walking cases, exhausting themselves and being a potential danger to their associates. These can help themselves and others by adopting a common-sense attitude. But it is obviously desirable to discover and isolate either in the house or, if available, in hospitals, sanatoria and village settlements, those persons who are actually carrying the germs in their bodies and scattering them every time they cough and spit. For this reason, it is the aim of the Medical Authorities to discover, and educate, all infectious cases of tuberculosis and persuade them to isolate themselves.

The first step was taken in this connection early in 1939, when Tuberculosis was added to the list of diseases which must be notified by medical practitioners to the Health Authorities. Up to the end of September, 1939, some 6,882 notifications had been received. This figure only represents a relatively small proportion of the total number of cases. For during the same nine months 8,736 deaths from the disease were registered. It may be fairly assumed that one death indicates the existence of at least five cases. However, it would be unreasonable to suggest that, because every criminal was not apprehended, there was no point in

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## Crossword Puzzle

By LAIS MORRIS

**ACROSS**

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## You can crochet this new-style Bedjacket

CROCHET is a pleasant change from knitting, and wool crochet can be done at a fairly good speed and without much bother. The crochet bedjacket shown here is modelled on the newest blouse-effect lines that are becoming so popular. It is fastened down the front with a zipper; but you could use a row of buttons and add a row of loop buttonholes to the edge of the right front if you prefer.

### The Pattern

These two rows form the pattern throughout, except for the collar and sleeve edges.

1st Row.—Turn with 2 ch., \* miss 3 ch., 4 tr. into the next st. Rep. from \* to end, ending with, miss 3 ch., 1 tr. into last st.

2nd Row.—1 d.c. into every st.

### Back

Depth at lower edge with 70 ch. Work 2 extra ch. for turning, then work 2 rows in pattern as given above. (17 groups).

Continue in the pattern, always making the groups of 4 tr. exactly over the centre of groups in previous row, at the same time shaping the side edges by increasing 1 tr. at each end of every alternate tr. row until the work measures 10 in. from commencement, ending with a d.c. row. (21 groups, measuring 17 in. across).

### Shape Armhole thus:

1st Row.—Slip-st. to centre of 1st group, 2 ch., work 4 tr. in each group to the last group, 1 tr. in the last group. (1 group less at each end).

2nd Row.—1 d.c. into every st. Rep. these 2 rows twice more. (16 groups remain).

Continue in the pattern without shaping until the armhole measures 6 in. on the straight from commencement of shaping, ending with a d.c. row.

### To Shape Shoulders and Back of Neck

Next Row.—Slip-st. across the 1st and 2nd groups, work the following 2 groups in the usual way, work 2 tr. and 2 d.c. instead of 4 tr. into the next group, work 4 d.c. instead of 4 tr. into each of the next 2 groups.



**MATERIALS**

7 ozs. of Copley's 3-ply Rayon-Wool, A No. D Stral-nold crochet hook, A 14 in. open end "Lightning" Plastic Fastener.

**MEASUREMENTS**

To fit a 34 in. bust. Shoulder to lower edge, 16 in.

**ABBREVIATIONS**

Ch., chain; d.c., double crochet; tr., treble; rep., repeat; ins., inches; st., stitch.

**TENSION**

2 complete patterns measure about 1 3/4 in. in width. 5 complete patterns measure 3 in. in depth.

### To Shape Shoulder

Next Row.—2 ch., 1 tr. at neck edge, 4 tr. into each of the next 2 groups, 1 d.c. into the 1st st. of next group.

Fasten off.

### Left Front

Work to match the Right Front, working all shapings at opposite edges.

### Sleeves

#### The Band

Make 6 ch. Turn and work in d.c. until the band is about 10 in. in length (or length required to fit arm closely).

Now commence with 2 ch. and work 16 groups into the band, arranging eight closely-spaced groups in the centre and four wider-spaced groups at each side.

Continue working in pattern without shaping until the work measures 4 in. from commencement (including the band), ending with a d.c. row.

### To Shape the Top

Miss one group at each end of the next tr. row, then miss one st. at each end of every following d.c. row and 2 tr. at each end at every following tr. row until the sleeve measures 5 in. from commencement, including the band. Fasten off.

### Collar

This is worked entirely in d.c. Make 75 ch. 1st and 2nd rows—1 d.c. into every st.

3rd row—Increase by working 2 d.c. into the 6th st., then in every following 6th st. to the end, ending with 1 d.c. into each of the last 5 sts. Work 2 rows without shaping, then in the next row increase by working 2 d.c. into the st. over each increasing of previous increasing row.

Rep. these last 3 rows until the collar measures 2 1/2 in. from commencement. Fasten off.

### To Make Up

Join the side, shoulder and sleeve seams. Insert sleeves into armholes, placing the seams to the side seams and easing any extra fullness at the top of the sleeve on either side of the shoulder seam. Sew short edge of collar to neck edge. Work a row of double crochet down fronts and round lower edge of jacket, also round edge of collar. Sew the Zip fastener into position along the front edges.



Eyelet collar edges the jacket and the shirring top of the ensemble shown above. The jacket sleeves are bracelet length, the gown has puff sleeves, a rounded collar and pocket.

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## Here's A New Swing Step For You

## THE HITLER KICK

BUT YOU MISS YOUR PARTNER

THE jitterbugs have got a new step. It is the Hitler Kick. You turn around, wriggle like an animated snake, and do a hard kick—just missing your partner, because, though it is a dance with a personal touch, you don't bear him the same ill will.

It's a lively step, and you can put as much expression in it as you want. They are swinging this revised "Hell Hitler" gesture in London.

The half-a-crown hop at the Palais means a lot in the life of the young people who work five and a half days a week. At the beginning of the war they were closed down, but gradually local authorities are re-opening them, and one more fairy-light of our pre-black-out days is twinkling again.

Flinding the Palais was hard enough, though the regulars need no midday sun to guide them. Once inside, they just hung their gasmasks on a hat-peg and got going.

"Come on," shouted the crooner. "Get hot, let yourselves go... forget it all..."

The band didn't play any of the old war tunes—or the new ones. There is enough of that outside, and they were made for marches, not dances. Instead they swung the "Flat Foot Floggie," or lulled them along on "Deep Purple."

It was the true atmosphere of this war, the 1939 war. The girls with their short silk dresses swinging out from the hips, their long Ginger Rogers curls tapping on their shoulders, and their arms and feet flying around as if they were on elastic bands.

### PIERCING

A few soldiers were there, having a night out, doing a rumba like a Spaniard, or slapping their bolts in the jam session.

Then there was a clarinet solo, as piercing as a siren. A young girl with a halo of ginger curls stepped out to do a solo wriggle, while the rest gathered round her, tapping, clapping, singing.

The organ, with its glass front, like coloured ice, came in, ringing bells and pounding away a deep bass. The neon lights, smaking across the roof, covered the dancers with a hard metallic glow.

I watched from the balcony and felt that this was a contemporary picture for the history books, just as our parents in 1914 were photographed in high collars and tight skirts doing a fox-trot at arms' length.

Soon it will be a petrol place, but Sunday night in Hammersmith, the Army was going hot under its khaki as it did a stomp and a high kick.

There were two touches of war for the history book. While they danced the tables behind them were piled up with gas masks and vanity cases. Only a few of the girls came in evening dress, because it is easier to walk home in a short dress and a tweed coat.

An ambulance driver took out his gas mask to show the boys, and began proudly palming the oxygen-pieces with a handkerchief.

No one talked politics. They just sat out, sipping lemonade, talking about the things they did last week. The soldiers, sitting out with their girls, did not disturb their few hours' leave with Army talk.

They all got up for the waltz, a faster, smarter version than the 1914 waltz, but still the same "Blue Danube" tune.

Then at ten the dance ended. And they walked home between the sandbags.

## Missed 109th Birthday By Four Days

A WOMAN who died recently was born when Queen Victoria was a girl of 11.

She was Britain's oldest woman, Mrs. Emma Coate, of North Curry, near Taunton. Had she lived four more days she would have been 109.

In 1839, when she was born, William IV had been king for five months.

Mr. Huskisson had just been killed at the opening of the Liverpool and Manchester Railway.

In the previous year the Rocket had carried the world by steaming at 25 miles an hour, and London's first bus had run from Paddington to the Bank.

A few weeks ago the old lady went for a car ride.

Since the war began she had continually asked for the latest news. Fear of air raids never worried her. She had no children. Her husband, a farmer, died at the age of 88 about 30 years ago.

## French General Dies On Western Front

PARIS, Dec. 14.

THE first French general to be killed in the war, General of Division Raymond Pignaud, was buried at Val-de-grace to-day.

## Edna Off To Reno

EDNA BEST, the English film and stage actress, is leaving Hollywood for Reno to secure a divorce from Herbert Marshall.

Her twin sons, James and John Best, now aged 17, and her daughter, Sarah Marshall, aged 6, are with her in Hollywood.

Edna Best was married to Seymour Board, the actor, a friend of her child hood in 1920. A year later her twin sons were born.

In 1923 the marriage was dissolved. Mr. Herbert Marshall being cited as co-respondent. At the same time Mr. Marshall was divorced by his wife.

In December 1928 Mr. Marshall and Miss Best were married in New York.

## I HAVE FOUND—

THAT old socks sewn together and put over the head of the mop make excellent floor polishers.

Ten and cocon stains on the tablecloth should be treated at once. Wash out in cold water first, then pour boiling water through.

Hot plate marks on polished tables are lessened by rubbing lightly with a soft cloth dipped in a little olive oil and salt.

## ADVICE TO NURSING MOTHERS

It is very important, doctors say, not to overtax your system immediately after the birth of a child. When you are feeding baby yourself, you should take plenty of easily digested nourishment.

For that reason, doctors throughout China recommend Horlicks. They have proved that Horlicks stimulates the appetite, promotes sound sleep, and strengthens the whole system. Also, Horlicks increases the supply of maternal milk and ensures the success of breast feeding.

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## SHORT CUTS

The under sheet should be folded snugly under the mattress at both ends in making a bed. Matted corners make for efficiency and add to the trim appearance of the bed.

Sauces may be kept hot over hot water in a double boiler without getting thick and pasty.

Drop cookies must be separated sufficiently from each other or they will spread out and run together.

When a recipe calls for lukewarm liquid test temperature by putting a drop on the wrist.

## COULD NOT LAND

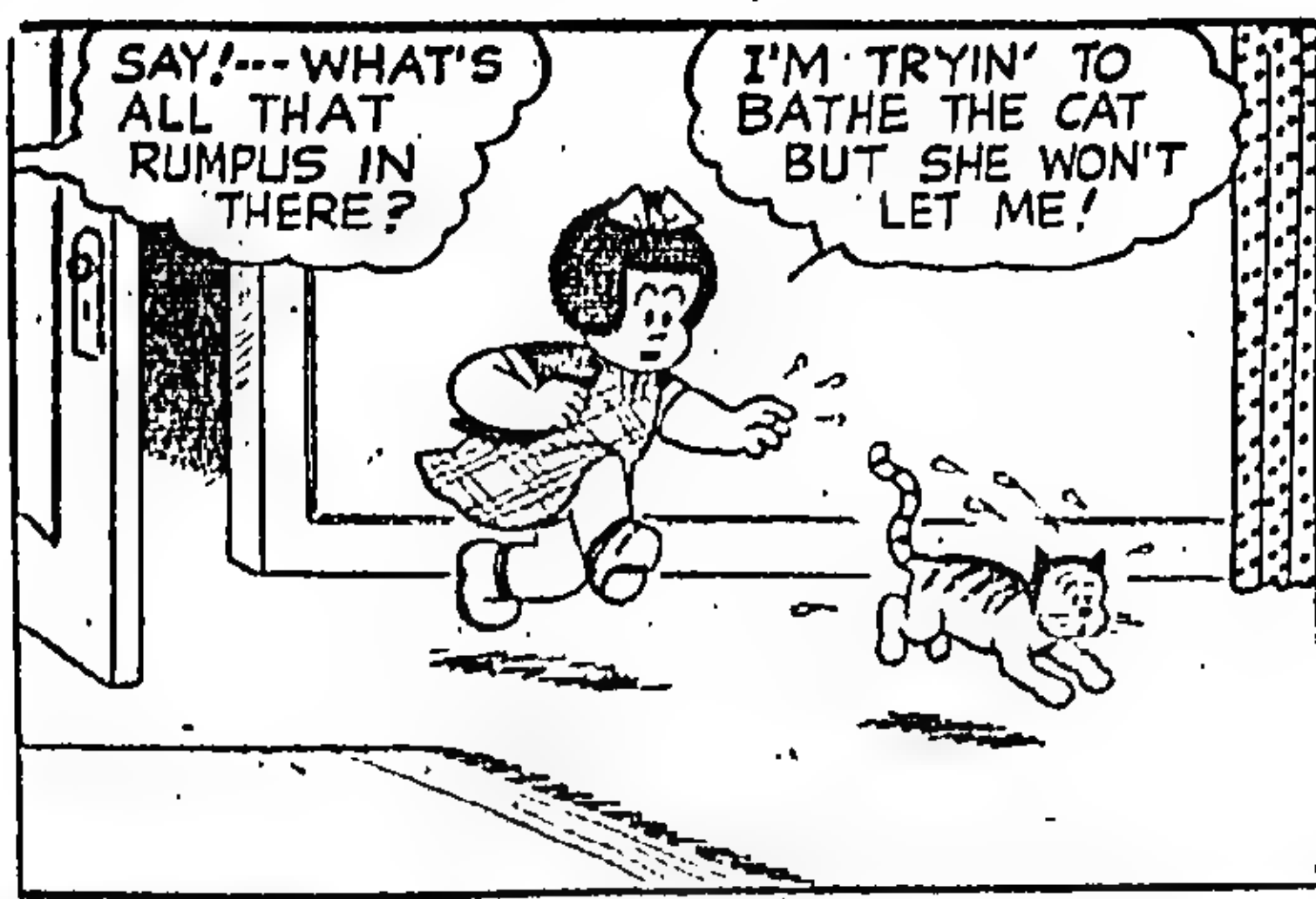
Chungking, Jan. 4.  
The plane bearing the British Ambassador, Sir Archibald Clark Kerr, arrived about Chungking at 8.15 a.m. to-day and was kept two hours in the air waiting to land, owing to visibility being practically nil. In the very thick mist it was impossible to see 20 yards ahead.

Unable to walk further owing to gasoline shortage, the plane landed at 10.15 a.m. at another airfield in the suburbs where the fog was thinner.

Over 100 people were anxiously waiting on the island airfield, including British Consulate officials, representatives of the local British community, Ministry of Foreign Affairs and the Sino-British Boxer Indemnity Fund Committee.—United Press.



# NANCY



By Ernie Bushmiller



A scene from "Springtime Suite" which will be presented by the George Goncharoff School of Dance at the King's Theatre next Wednesday and Thursday.

## FURTHER ADVICE GIVEN TO LUNG SUFFERERS

(Continued from Page 5.)

that the time had come when it would be profitable to train a group of medical officers in the early diagnosis of Tuberculosis so that they might be posted as Tuberculosis officers to the various Health Centres which it was desired to establish in all portions of the urban and rural areas.

Duties of Officers These officers would not only examine patients sent to them under suspicion, but would also be responsible for getting into touch with contacts. They would also keep a lookout for signs of early infection, so as to be in a position to advise remedial measures at a time when they might be calculated to be effective.

Such Health Centres would also act indirectly in attacking the disease by providing services for expectant mothers, new-born babies, toddlers, school children and those suffering from other so-called social diseases. Simple health talks and demonstrations, cinema and "talkies," pictorial museums and propaganda films, would also be arranged at these centres. This stream is not so far off either, for Government has given leave for certain urban and rural sites to be provisionally earmarked and has provided a taken sum in the Estimates for 1940-41 amounting to \$100,000 for clinics.

Other Government-sponsored activities which are likely to have a profound influence on the Tuberculosis question include the following:

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Trading continues on a broad scale. The price for Docks has shown some slight recession after touching \$21½ but the demand is not yet satisfied. Electric, Telephones & Wharves have also been in some demand. Hongkong Banks have come to business at \$1,380 with further enquiries for scrip.

### Buyers

Union Ins. \$430  
Hotels \$5.15  
Tramways \$17.10  
Yamaul Carries \$23½  
Electric \$33½  
Telephones (Old) \$24½  
Ropes \$5.50  
Watsons \$9.10  
Entertainments \$6½  
Constructions (Old) \$1½  
Sales  
H.K. Bank \$1,380  
Union Ins. \$430  
Wharves \$102  
Docks \$21.30/¼/00/¾/70  
Providents \$4.55  
Hotels \$9½  
Electric \$33½  
Telephones (Old) \$24½  
Telephones (New) \$9.30  
Cements \$17½

- (a) hygienic camps for upwards of 12,000 homeless persons;
- (b) Nutrition-Research-Committee to advise on minimization and economic dietaries;
- (c) Town Planning Board to devise schemes for zoning, town-planning, slum clearance, etc.

## Astronomical Expenditure By Belligerents

# CASH COST OF WAR NOW £20,000,000 A DAY

WASHINGTON.—Europe's war is costing the belligerents possibly £20,000,000 a day in current cash outlay alone. Additional costs in losses of property, arms, and commercial revenue cannot be computed now.

The £20,000,000 is an estimate made from the best information available here.

## A Look Through The "Telegraph"

### 50 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1890. Victoria English Schools will reopen on Wednesday next, the 8th instant. The teaching staff in the Boys' Department has been increased by the arrival of Mr. Arthur A. Watts, C.M., of Cheltenham Training College. Miss S. E. Taylor, C.M., has been engaged to superintend the Girls' Department, which will, in future, be carried on in a separate building at 21, Elgin Street. In addition to the ordinary English subjects there will be classes for French, Latin, Chinese, Drawing and Singing.

### 25 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1915. The damage at Hartlepool is estimated at £150,000. Recruiting in the West Riding is particularly active.

### 10 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1930. The British Navy will have its full complement of nine aircraft carriers in service when H.M.S. Glorious is put into commission at Devonport on Tuesday. The Yee Sang Fat building standing on Queen's Road Central and having frontages also to D'Aguiar Street and Wyndham Street is to be demolished almost immediately and a modern cinema theatre and block of office property erected on the site thus cleared. (This is the King's.—Ed.)

### 5 YEARS AGO

Jan. 5, 1935. There were sensations at the continued trial of Bruno Hauptmann, and the crowded court was breathless when Colonel Charles Lindbergh identified the accused as the man to whom his intermediary, Gordon, paid \$20,000 ransom money for the return of the kidnapped Lindbergh baby. The abolition of the Sanitary Board and its replacement by an Urban Council is provided for in an Ordinance.

In a speech before the Institution of Production Engineers, Leslie Burgin, Minister of Supply, said that his department alone had spent about £2,000,000 a day since the outbreak of war, an amount which does not include purchases of planes, ships, and other equipment or the cost of maintenance of the navy or expeditionary force in France.

Available data indicates that Germany, heading the list, may have spent £2,500,000,000 for war by the end of its fiscal year next March; Great Britain, its Dominions and colonies, at least £1,950,000,000; and France, using a calendar year fiscal period, at least £438,000,000 by the end of 1939.

The £20,000,000 figure was computed on the basis that by the end of March, Germany and the British Empire supposedly will have spent £3,462,000,000 for a war that began 211 days earlier on Sept. 2, or £16,800,000 a day. By the end of December, 120 days after the start of hostilities, France spent £438,750,081 or £3,640,000 a day.

That figure does not take into account the billions that were spent in years prior to the German-British fiscal period of 1939-40 and the French year of 1939 for arms and ammunition now being expended on the Western Front.

The process of arriving at the £20,000,000 figure is as follows:

**Germany:** Probably no one outside Reichsfuhrer Hitler's inner circle knows exactly what Germany is spending for the war. However, Herr Hitler has said that war expenditures for the past six years would total £7,000,000,000. That makes £1,200,000,000 a year.

A decree of Sept. 22 provided an additional £1,200,000,000 for the 1939-40 fiscal period ending March 31. That makes an aggregate of £2,400,000,000 being currently spent. Some observers say that figure is ridiculous. But no figure could give the whole picture for Germany, inasmuch as its entire economy has been geared to its military aims for years. Cash outlay is merely one cost factor.

In order to meet the war's costs, Germany not only increased taxes, reduced nonmilitary expenditures by 50 per cent, and undertook short-term borrowing, but according to information here, it also lowered wages and prices, thereby reducing the cost of war supplies to the Government.

Main tax increases were: A 50 per cent rise in the rate on incomes over £192, a 20 per cent surtax on tobacco, beer, liquor, and champagne, and a 15 per cent levy on the shares of states and communes in national revenues.

The press estimated that the new taxes would yield £400,000,000 a year, giving total revenues for 1939-40 of £1,700,000,000, as against £1,372,000,000 last year.

These estimates, if accurate, do not lend credence to the enormous size of Germany's reported war expenditures, unless the Government is blithely incurring deficits of enormous proportions.

### Great Britain:

Britain publishes understandable budgets. She estimated in April that she would need £1,052,776,000 for the 1939-40 year beginning April 1, nearly half of it for defence.

By the time the war got under way, the estimates had been boosted to £1,546,304,000, including £999,016,000 for the war still less than half the estimated German total. The budget then was nearly double 1938-39 expenditures.

Income rates were raised to 35 per cent with 37½ in prospect for 1940-41. A new excess profits levy, replaced the national defence and armament tax, and other levies, especially on luxuries, were boosted. Revenue estimates rose to £796,

### British Dominions and Colonies:

**Canada:** A budget of £130,100,000 was voted in September, to include an additional war appropriation of £20,000,000. Defence expenditures for 1939-40, before the declaration of war, had been budgeted at £11,000,000, giving Canada a total of £30,000,000 for war.

**Australia:** The current budget includes £21,038,400 for the war, but additional defence expenditures, as yet undisclosed, will be necessary.

**New Zealand:** The budget for 1939-40 was increased by £1,200,000 over the previous year, mainly for defence purposes. The Government also planned to borrow £12,800,000 for a public works programme, which probably could be altered to conform to defence needs. Additional expenditures for war purposes have not been disclosed here.

**India and South Africa:** No figures available.

### France:

If the French war costs were anything like the £1,000,000,000 appropriated by the British, the German figure would not seem extraordinary. The total Allied expenditures, then, would be £2,000,000,000 or better, against £2,500,000,000 for Germany.

A French Embassy spokesman said, however, that the British figure would be the greater of the two, search for more detailed information brought a reply from one official that "a complete blackout" had fallen on French budget figures. Another said no information intelligible to Americans ever was available.

Budget proposals for 1939 included £125,585,000 for national defence under the Ministry of the Interior, more than a third of the budget total. Separate Army and Navy proposals did not appear in outlines available here. A total of £314,000,000 has been voted in war credits since hostilities started.

The two figures above give the £430,758,000 total used here, a total that seems slight for a Nation at war with American antagonism and talking of £400,000,000 for 1940 defence appropriations.

When France votes more money for 1940, its total will draw nearer the British figure, which covers three months in 1940, as well as nine in 1939.

## OUR GUIDE TO THE CINEMAS

"Rulers of the Sea" (Alhambra): A tale of sailing ships versus the first ship to cross the North Atlantic under steam. Will Fyffe, Scots comedian, dominates the film with his characterization of the blundering old Scots mechanic who (according to this story) invented a marine engine in his backyard and faced jeers and grievous disappointment on its account a little over a hundred years ago. Douglas Fairbanks, jun., appears as the rebellious mate of a sailing ship who accompanies Will Fyffe home one night with fateful results. Director Frank Lloyd's storm scenes are magnificent.

"The Cat and the Canary" (Queen's): A Paramount re-make of the silent thriller in which Laura La Plante starred several years ago. Bob Hope makes a good job of the nervous hero whilst Paulette Goddard reveals genuine acting ability.

"Coast Guard" (Majestic): Dramatic story of lady-killing aerial constabulary "fere" who marries his friend's girl, falls to pieces when she leaves him and redeems himself by saving some friend's life. Starring Randolph Scott, Frances Ford and Ralph Bellamy.

"Girls on Probation" (Oriental): Tragic story of prison probationary system's part in saving a young girl, persistently and wrongly accused, who finally assists the law against the real offenders. Excellent performance by Jane Bryan in leading role.

### OLD SCREENS WANTED

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### PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

No. of Sale	Registry No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Contents in sq. feet	Ann. Rent	Upset Price
1	New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 253	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 252, Castle Peak Road.	N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	6,720	3/2	\$6720
			as per sale plan.			

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2	Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4217	Adjoining New Kowloon Inland Lot No. 4218, Castle Peak Road.	N. S. E. W. feet feet feet feet	2,570	5/3	\$2570
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RAID OVER  
GERMANY

FROM PAGE ONE

It is emphasised that the flights were purely for reconnaissance purposes, and no bombs were dropped.

**R.A.F. Flights Over Germany**  
LONDON, Jan. 5 (Reuter).—The Air Ministry announced last night that the R.A.F. made successful reconnaissance flights over north-west Germany, and that patrol flew over sea-plane bases at Heligoland.

All the machines returned safely.

**Italian Envoy Returning**  
MOSCOW, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The Italian Ambassador left for Rome to-night.

## America Will Build Eight Big Battleships As Part Of President's Great Naval Defence Plan

# COLOSSAL AMERICAN BUDGET FOR DEFENCE ANNOUNCED

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, JAN. 4 (UP).—PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT, IN HIS MESSAGE TO CONGRESS, HAS BUDGETED FOR THE ADMINISTRATION'S ELEVENTH CONSECUTIVE DEFICIT. DESPITE THE FACT THAT HE HAS CUT EXPENDITURE BY \$65,000,000 AS COMPARED WITH THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR.

The 1941 Budget introduced by the President to-day totals \$8,424,000,000 which, although lower than the 1940 estimates, is the third highest Budget in the nation's history.

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SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
LONDON, Jan. 4.—Britain now has enough fighter planes on the Home Front to overwhelm the biggest mass formation of bombers that Germany could send against her.

That is why Hitler has not dared to bomb Britain. Our Air Force, it is now revealed, can always keep more than 2,800 planes flying—at home, alone—however many may be lost in fighting.

At least 800 of these first-line planes are high-speed fighters, ready to defend you.

These figures do not include the squadrons sent to France at the outbreak of war, the reserves available for the Western Front and the Home Front, the large numbers of new aircraft with the Fleet Air Arm and at overseas garrisons, or training machines.

When Germany revealed in 1934 that she intended to build a new air fleet of 1,600 first-line machines with adequate reserves, and said that hundreds of the planes were then ready, it was decided that we should build a first-line strength at home of 1,500 aircraft.

**Order For 1,000 Fighters**  
This was later increased to 1,750, and then to over 2,000, to be completed by the Spring of the present year.

Since every Squadron of the R.A.F. has a 50 per cent reserve with it for rapid replacement of casualties, the real strength of the Home Defence force is at least 3,000 warplanes.

Behind them is a vast stored and secret reserve, figures of which cannot be revealed.

Lord Nuffield's new factory, now in full production, has on order for 1,000 Spitfire fighters alone, which will swell the total of defending aircraft in 1940.

### Pace Too Hot

The present production of the British aircraft industry is the result of five years of careful planning, which will issue a prodigious output of warplanes, aero engines, and instruments all through 1940, the peak year of the effort planned when rearmament began.

There is nothing that Germany can do to beat this magnificent effort.

It may be doubted, in view of the Navy's grip on Germany through the Contraband Patrol, whether Nazi output is able to keep up to anything approaching this pace.

## U.S. Neutrality Believed to be Weakened

## NAZIS SEE THREAT IN ROOSEVELT'S SPEECH

AMSTERDAM, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—President Roosevelt's speech is regarded from beginning to end as an attack on Germany, according to German political circles quoted by the Berlin correspondent of the "Telegraph."

It is considered that President Roosevelt has weakened America's attitude of neutrality.

This opinion is further strengthened by the report that the U.S. Secretary of the Navy, Mr. Charles Edison, has proposed placing certain industries under the direct control of the State. It is recalled that American authorities obtained the same powers in 1917, a month or two before America entered the war, and although it is too much to claim that this step is an indication of American intention to participate in the war, there is less confidence in the continuance of America's neutrality in all circumstances.

**French Reactions To Speech**  
PARIS, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—That the Allied cause will have a moral victory before a material one is the

Relief costs have been drastically cut in order to provide new emergency defence expenditure of \$460,000,000. This is in addition to the ordinary defence expenditure.

In his message, President Roosevelt opposes taxation which will curtail consumer purchasing power.

Although not revealed, it is believed that he contemplates increases in income, estate and inheritance taxes. The estimated deficit is \$2,976,000,000. As a result the National Debt—already a record—will be increased to \$14,938,000,000.

### America's Fiscal Problems

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—In the course of his review of fiscal policy in his Budget speech, President Roosevelt pointed out that the deliberate use of government funds to encourage private enterprise has profoundly affected both government and private incomes.

The national income in four years has risen 60 per cent—the biggest rise for any similar period in history.

**Expenditure Cuts**  
The Works Progress Administration will be enabled to provide employment for an average of 135,000 people.

The Farm Security Administration will operate on about 80 per cent of last year's level.

Relief expenditure will be closely geared to actual needs, but if the present hopes are disappointed, revised estimates might be substituted later in the session.

Replying to the criticism of the public debt, President Roosevelt pointed out that there are durable and tangible assets constructed or purchased by the Government, though these are never yet listed.

Expenditure estimates include nearly \$150,000,000 in the construction of merchant shipping.

One of the largest army construction programmes is \$124,000,000 for barracks in Hawaii.

**Bigger Income Tax?**  
The President did not tell Congress how to raise the proposed new defence taxes, but suggested that they should follow the principle of taxing according to the ability to pay.

There are taxes which increase the consumer's buying power.

It is generally believed that this rules out the excise taxes and suggests the possibility of higher income taxes.

## P. I. Restrictions Removed

Cabin class passengers embarking at Hongkong for ports in the Philippine Islands are no longer required to furnish themselves with cholera immunization certificates.

The provisions regarding immunization and stool examination remain in force for steerage type passengers, regardless of the class of transportation occupied.

## £500,000,000 FOR ARMY AND NAVY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"

WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (Domei).—Although expenditure in President Roosevelt's 1941 Budget is lower than that anticipated in the current fiscal year, it sets records in several respects.

Expenditure on Defence will reach the all-time record of \$2,000,000,000 (£500,000,000).

Revenue is estimated at \$5,548,000,000 (£1,387,000,000).

Expenditure is estimated at \$3,428,000,000 (£2,107,000,000).

The deficit will therefore be \$2,876,000,000 (£719,000,000)—another record.

Estimated revenue represents an increase of \$382,000,000 over the current fiscal year.

Estimated expenditure is \$675,000,000 less.

The estimates for the Navy provide \$369,000,000 (£92,250,000) for the construction of new warships.

They will include two 45,000-ton battleships. They will be the biggest and most powerful in the world.

### 48 SHIPS TO BE BUILT

Six other battleships, two aircraft carriers, six light cruisers, 14 submarines, 30 destroyers, two flotilla leaders, one minesweeper, one repair ship, one submarine depot ship, six seaplane tenders, one mine-layer, four submarine destroyers and eight torpedo-boats are included in the estimates.

In addition, the estimates provide for the re-conditioning and re-equipping of two battleships, an aircraft carrier, two cruisers, eight destroyers, six submarines, a submarine depot ship, three seaplane tenders, a mine-sweeper and five over-age battleships and three over-age submarines.

Among the warships to be re-conditioned are the U.S.S. Lexington and U.S.S. Saratoga, America's two biggest aircraft carriers.

**\$95,000,000 Increase**  
The ordinary Defence appropriations requested by President Roosevelt amount to \$1,530,000,000 (£384,750,000).

Coupled with various other appropriations connected with military enterprises, the total is brought up to \$2,330,000,000 (£584,000,000), which is an increase of \$382,000,000 (£95,000,000) over the current expenditure.

In addition to the construction of 80 new warships, President Roosevelt seeks the expenditure of \$50,000,000 (£12,500,000) for the construction of an air base at Alameda, the terminus of the existing trans-Pacific air line to Hongkong, the building of a new dry-dock at San Francisco and preliminary work on the construction of a naval base at Perry Island.

The Maritime Affairs Commission will absorb \$149,000,000 (£37,250,000) of the Budget.

Ordinary expenditure on the U.S. Army will total \$956,000,000 (£239,000,000).

**All-Time Record**  
SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (UP).—President Roosevelt's defence appropriations are an all-time record for the United States.

They envisage the simultaneous construction in American yards of ten super battleships and 106 other war craft.

The defence items will absorb one quarter of the entire Budget.

The President has requested that naval aircraft be increased to 3,000, and the Army to 6,550 planes, making a total of 9,550 planes in commission by the end of 1941.

He has also requested that the armed forces be increased to 227,000 in the Regular Army, 235,000 in the National Guards, 160,011 in the Navy and 25,000 in the Marines, making a total of 647,011 men.

**Big Deficit**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The Budget estimates expenditure to total \$3,428,000,000 and receipts to total \$5,548,000,000 with an estimated deficit of \$2,170,000,000, compared with \$3,933,000,000 in the last budget.

The President makes recommendations of new taxation amounting to \$400,000,000, reducing the deficit to \$1,770,000,000.

Programmes other than national defence are estimated to swallow up \$1,300,000,000 on work relief; \$900,000,000 on agricultural projects; \$1,000,000,000 on public works and investments; \$1,200,000,000 on pensions; \$1,100,000,000 on interest on public debt and \$1,000,000,000 on operation of Government departments.

The President said that expenditure represented the needs to develop and maintain normal defence preparations and emergency defence activity.

**German Communiqué**  
BERLIN, Jan. 4 (UP).—The High Command communiqué says: "On the western front between the Moselle River and the Palatinate forest there was somewhat lighter artillery intermittent fire than on the previous day."

"The air force reconnoitred over France and the North Sea. One British plane was shot down near Aix-la-Chapelle after flying over Luxembourg. The plane crashed near the frontier on Belgian territory."

## POST OFFICE

### INWARD MAILS

Canton and Straits ..... Jan. 5.  
Cebu and Shanghai ..... Jan. 6.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Jan. 6.  
Manila ..... Jan. 6.  
Shanghai and Swatow ..... Jan. 6.  
Straits and Saigon ..... Jan. 6.  
Haiphong ..... Jan. 7.  
Saligon ..... Jan. 7.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—London date, 30th Dec.

Japan ..... Jan. 8.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 8.  
Europe via Suez and Straits (London Date, 18th November) ..... Jan. 9.  
Japan and Shanghai ..... Jan. 9.  
Straits ..... Jan. 9.  
Air Mail by "Air France Direct Service"—Paris date, 3rd January.  
Java and Manila ..... Jan. 10.  
Manila ..... Jan. 10.  
Manila ..... Jan. 10.  
Rabat and Manila ..... Jan. 10.  
Shanghai ..... Jan. 10.

### OUTWARD MAILS

Manila ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Bangkok ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 6  
Shanghai and Japan ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Straits ..... 9.30 a.m.  
Saligon ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 1 p.m.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—Due London, 14th January.  
G.P.O. and K.F.O.  
Reg. .... Jan. 6, 5.00 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 6, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 7  
Fort Bayard and Hanoi ..... 8.00 a.m.  
Parcels only for Shanghai ..... 9 a.m.  
Shanghai and Japan ..... 9 a.m.  
Monday, Jan. 8  
Canton and Straits ..... 7.15 a.m.  
Touane and Saigon ..... 8.30 a.m.  
Bangkok ..... 10.30 a.m.  
Haiphong ..... 1.00 p.m.  
Shanghai and Straits ..... 1.00 p.m.  
Japan ..... 3.30 p.m.  
Canton ..... 7.00 p.m.  
Touane ..... 7.00 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 9  
Parcels only for Haiphong ..... 1 p.m.  
Air Mail by "Imperial Airways Direct Service"—Due London, 17th January.  
K.F.O.  
Reg. .... Jan. 9, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 9, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 10  
Reg. .... Jan. 10, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 10, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 11  
Reg. .... Jan. 11, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 11, 5.30 p.m.

Friday, Jan. 12  
Reg. .... Jan. 12, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 12, 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 13  
Reg. .... Jan. 13, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 13, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 14  
Reg. .... Jan. 14, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 14, 5.30 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 15  
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Ord. .... Jan. 15, 5.30 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 16  
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Saturday, Jan. 20  
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Ord. .... Jan. 26, 5.30 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 27  
Reg. .... Jan. 27, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 27, 5.30 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 28  
Reg. .... Jan. 28, 5 p.m.  
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Monday, Jan. 29  
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Ord. .... Jan. 29, 5.30 p.m.

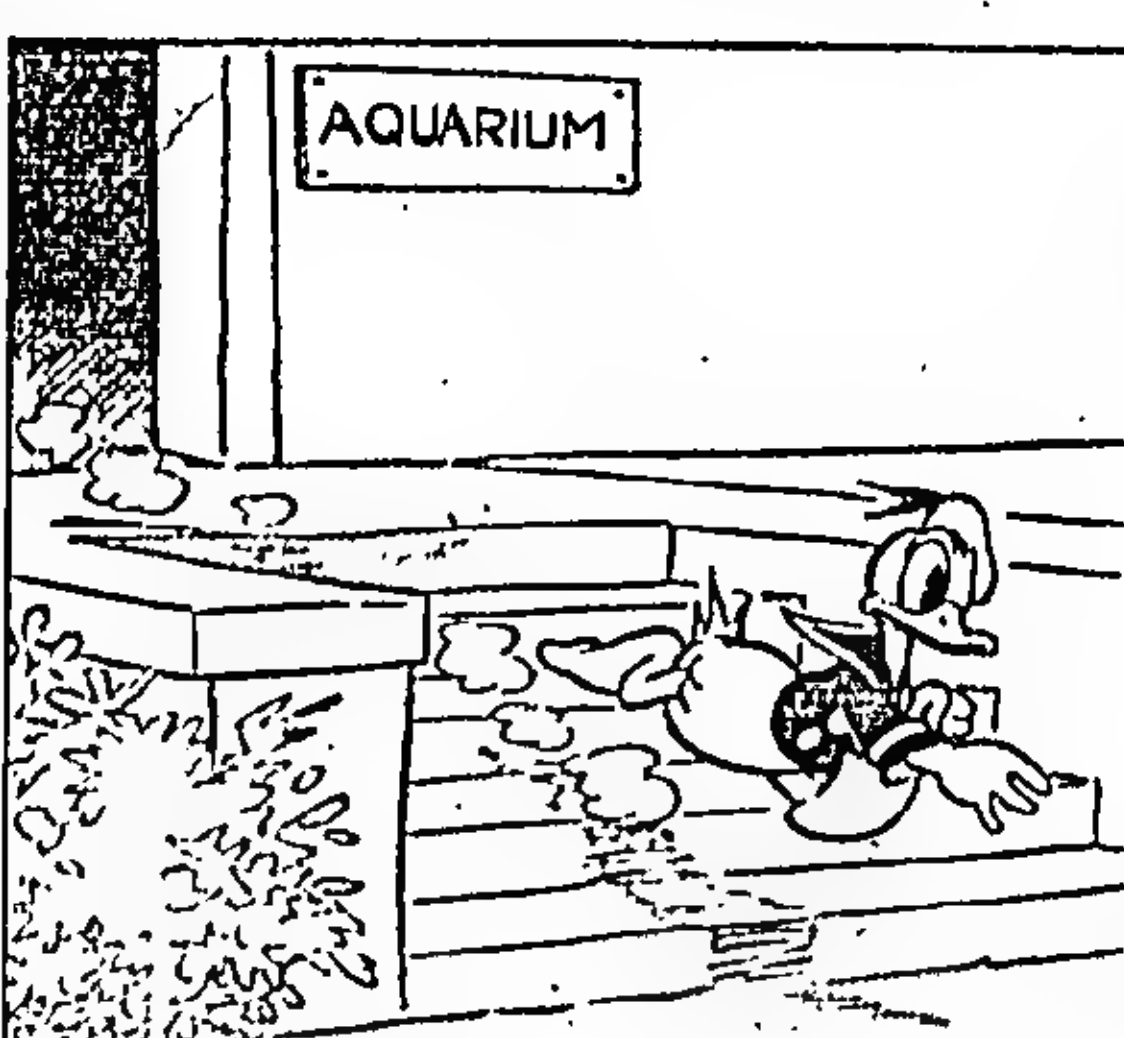
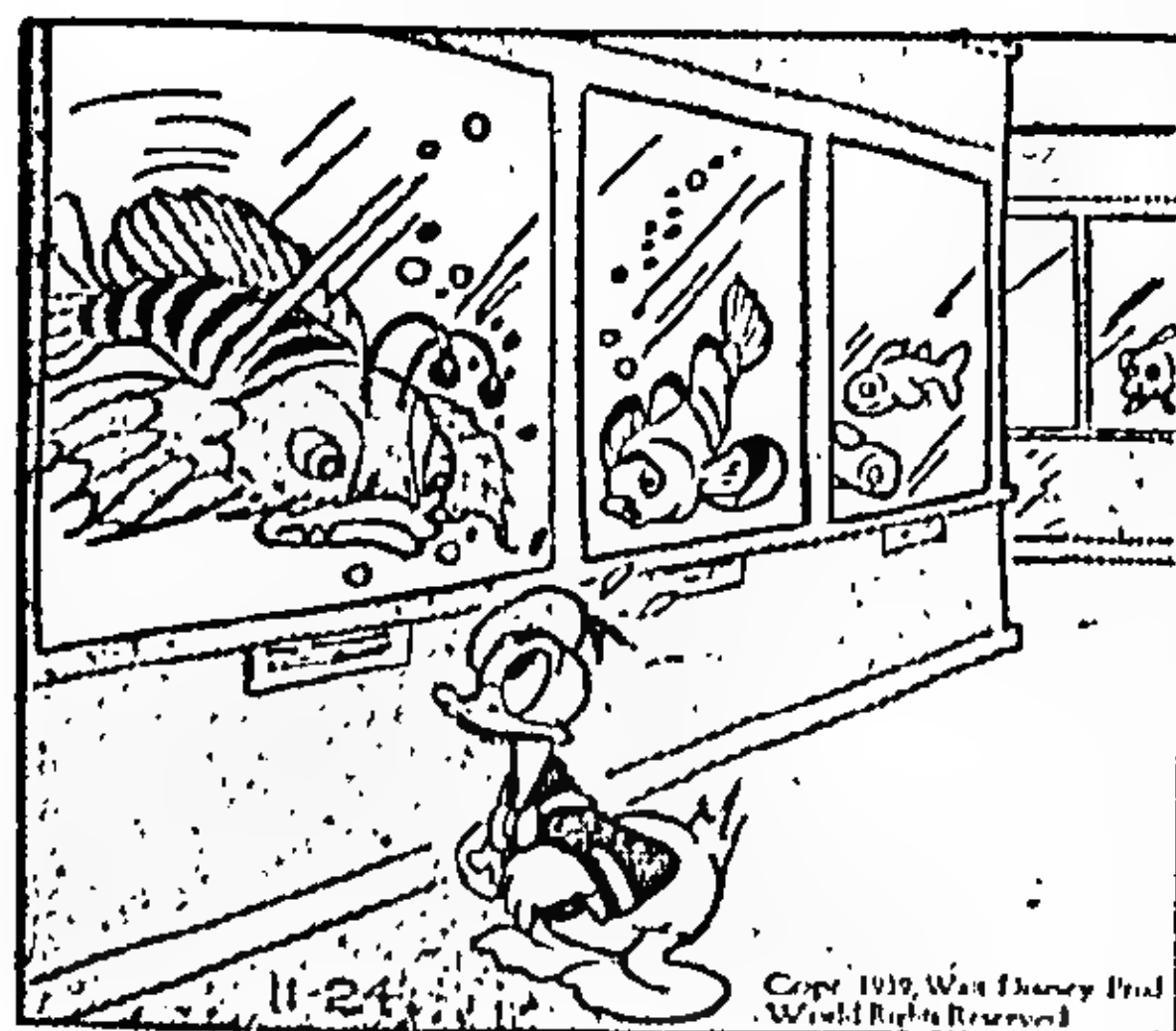
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Ord. .... Jan. 30, 5.30 p.m.

Wednesday, Jan. 31  
Reg. .... Jan. 31, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Jan. 31, 5.30 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 1  
Reg. .... Feb. 1, 5 p.m.  
Ord. .... Feb. 1, 5.30 p.m.



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 7.30 London Relay—The News.  
 8.00 Local Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.  
 8.05 Latest Variety, Accordion Band, "Curry On" Melodies.—It's a long way to Tipperary; Keep the home fires burning; Hello, Hello, who's your lady friend?; Pick up your troubles; There's a long, long trail; Take me back to dear old Blighty; There's a Song; An Old-Fashioned Band, I'm Sending You The Signified Line Adolf, Billy Cotton and His Band, Run, Rabbit, Run! The Girl Who Loves A Soldier, Jackie Hylton and His Orchestra, Ain't Cha Comin' Out, Dick Robertson and His Orchestra, The Outside Lookout, Billy Cotton and His Band, There'll Always Be An England, Wish Me Luck, Billy Cotton and His Band, Band Music, Cavalcade of Martial Songs.—The King's Horses; The Toy Town Artillery; The Tin-Can Fusiliers; When the general is on parade; There's a soldier about a soldier; When a soldier's on parade; When the band goes marching by; The Toy Drum Major, The Band of H.M. Welsh Guards, The Washing On The Siegfried Line, When A Black Sheep Meets a White Sheep, Billy Cotton and His Band, Charlie Kunz, Philo Medley No. 15, 30—Don't worry 'bout me; Our love; And the angels sing; Especially for you; Angels never leave heaven; Goodnight, my darling, goodnight, The Shabby Old Cobby, The Moon Remembered But You Forgot, Elsie Carlisle, I Poured My Heart Into a Song, An Old-Fashioned Tune Always is New, Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.  
 9.05 Studio—Comments on Recent Events.  
 9.15 London Relay—News Summary.  
 9.30 London Relay—"World Affairs."  
 9.45 Spanish Music.  
 10.00 B.B.C. Recording, Vaudeville Programme. The Cast includes Alexander and Mose; Charlie Coburn, Burnaby Williams, Anne Winn, Tommy Handley and Lily Morris. The B.B.C. Dance Orchestra. The programme composed by Tommy Handley.  
 11.00 Close Down.

## GRIN AND BEAR IT By Lichty



# New War Taxation for Germans Grabs Savings

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**BERLIN, Jan. 4 (UP).—**New war taxation is to be imposed on the German people.  
 This will be in addition to the compulsory saving of part of all incomes above a certain level, which was recently decreed.  
 Under the recent decree, portion of all incomes above 400 reichsmarks a month must be placed in special savings accounts. The amounts will, presumably, be invested by the savings banks in State obligations for financing the war.  
 The D.N.B. (official German news agency) says that General Goering has decreed further centralisation of national economy in order to tighten up production "in order to meet the British blockade."  
**Goering As Dictator**  
**BERLIN, Jan. 5 (Reuter).—**Field Marshal Hermann Goering has been

**SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"**  
**DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (UP).—**Eire has signed the death warrant of the Irish Republican Army.

This is the consensus of opinion regarding the new Emergency Powers Bill, which passed its final reading in both Houses of the Dail last night, and becomes law to-day with the President's signature.  
 The Act authorises the Government to detain, without trial, any citizen of Eire suspected of treason or of allegiance to the I.R.A.  
 A round-up of I.R.A. suspects has already commenced.  
 Twenty were arrested in Cork last night, following the death of a detective.  
 Other arrests are momentarily expected throughout the country.  
**Irish Army Is Undermined**  
**DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—**In the Eire Senate to-day, Professor Michael Tierney said that he was not surprised at the raid on the magazine in Phoenix Park.  
 It was patent to anybody familiar with what was going on in the army that things were bad.  
 Discipline was undermined and there were irregularities which would never be permitted in any ordinary army.

**National Govt. Urged**  
 Professor Tierney urged the formation of a National Government and said that unless the two principal parties in Eire came to some arrangement, they would soon find that the country had no use for either of them or for Parliamentary institutions.  
 General Richard Mulcahy urged co-operation between the governments of Eire, Great Britain and Ulster, so that Eireann citizens would not be allowed to damage property or endanger lives in North Ireland or Britain, or endanger political relations between Eire and Britain.

**"Must Have Discipline"**  
**DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—**While the Senate was sitting, the Dail considered another Bill which seeks to put into permanent form, legislation authorising the detention of persons suspected of activities against the State.  
 It is necessary, for the Government to introduce this Bill in order to repeal the second part of the Offences Against the State Act, which Mr. Justice Duffy recently pronounced unconstitutional.

Mr. Aiken, the Minister of Defence, said: "When small nations are falling like nine-pins all over the world, if this small nation is to survive, it must have discipline, and the Government must have the support of all good citizens in suppressing revolutionary activities."

**Over 20 Arrests Made**  
**LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—**It is now reported that over 20 men were arrested to-day in the city and county of Cork.

The arrests are believed to be part of a general round-up of Republicans.

**Mr. De Valera's Hint**  
**DUBLIN, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—**The Dail has passed the final stages of the Offences Against the State Bill by 62 votes to seven.  
 Labour and one Independent voted against, but the Opposition supported the Government.  
 Mr. Eamon de Valera, in the course of the debate, said that carelessness in routine was responsible for the magazine fort raid and remarked that it would be serious if the Act was unconstitutional.  
 If such were the case, it would be necessary to change the Constitution.

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pass the Monument at 5 p.m.  
to-day.

The  
**Hongkong Telegraph**

Friday, January 5, 1940.

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#### Premature

THERE is a considerable  
amount of sympathy in the  
British Empire for the German  
people, ground down as they are  
by the Nazi tyrants, and the  
Allies make it a condition of  
peace that Germany shall rid  
herself of the Hitler gang and  
establish a Government whose  
word counts for something.

With all our sympathy, how-  
ever, it must be admitted that  
Germany produces, in her public  
life at least, a larger number of  
scoundrels per head of the  
population than perhaps any  
other country in the world.  
Some such thought may have  
prompted Lord Bradbury to re-  
mark that the German people  
have shown themselves prone  
to allow themselves to be do-  
minated by leaders who have  
made them impossible neigh-  
bours to other peoples who  
desire to live their own lives.  
Therefore no settlement which  
merely eliminates a particular  
individual is going to prevent  
the rising of another obnoxious  
individual or another equally  
damnable political creed.

To overcome this danger Lord  
Bradbury proposes that the  
terms of settlement ought to be  
based on two guiding principles.  
The first is that nothing should  
be done to prevent Germany  
from taking her proper place as  
a member of a peaceful family  
of European nations. The sec-  
ond is that everything should  
be done to prevent Germany  
from again acquiring lethal  
weapons and the trained per-  
sonnel to make use of them,  
and she should be required to  
submit to a comprehensive sys-  
tem of international supervision  
to secure this beyond a per-  
adventure.

This looks very simple and  
reasonable, but would Germany  
or any other great nation con-  
sent to restrictions of this sort?  
In any case, discussion of settle-  
ment terms is somewhat pre-  
mature. The first thing to be  
done is to win the war. It is  
not wise to count our chickens  
before they are hatched.



HITLER: "THE WAR IS OVER, HEIL HITLER, NOW BACK IN THE BOTTLE!"  
GENIE: "AH, BUT PM DICTATOR NOW."

99 Ten guns for every German gun  
Ten shells for every German shell  
Ten tanks for every German tank 99

Here's how we  
are making this  
slogan come true

I HAVE just returned  
from a visit to some of  
Britain's key armament  
centres.

In those places men, and  
sometimes women, are working  
long hours and making a tre-  
mendous effort to ensure that  
the men at the front shall have  
all the essentials of war... So  
that there will be no munitions  
shortage and no room for fear  
at the back of the minds of the  
fighting men that they will be  
let down by the folks at home.

In these factories are being made  
small arms, bullets, bombs, shells  
and mighty guns for the Navy  
and the Army, little pompons to deal  
with any low-flying aircraft which  
may attempt to attack our vessels  
on the sea, and a hundred other  
weapons of war, some of which are  
still kept a close secret.

Let me say immediately that the  
report I give of my visit to these  
works is a wholly favourable one.  
I cannot conceive of any munitions

shortage unless by some chance the  
expenditure of shot and shell should  
be vastly greater than anything yet  
thought of.

In one great factory I visited  
there was a Hall of Giants.  
Not a single man among the thirty  
engaged in that particular place was  
less than six feet in height—great,  
muscular men, fine specimens of  
physical fitness.

As a mere five-foot-one-and-a-half  
specimen I gazed admiringly on these  
huge men, lifting with pairs of long  
huged pieces of blazing metal from  
the top of a furnace and swinging them  
skillfully to the ground in the right  
place so that they could be moved  
on to the next operation.

And here and there were men  
pushing along these same pieces of  
high-grade steel with their feet.  
Their boots are made of special  
material, partly asbestos, and their  
clothing, too, provides protection  
against fire.

#### James Agate picked this out

When, looking on the present  
face of things,  
I see one Man, of men the  
meanest too;  
Raised up to sway the world,  
to do, undo,  
With mighty nations for his  
underlings,  
The great events with which  
old story rings  
Seem vain and hollow; I find  
nothing great;  
Nothing is left which I can  
venerate;  
So that almost a doubt within  
me springs  
Of Providence, such emptiness  
at length  
Seems at the heart of all things.  
But, great God!  
I measure back the steps which  
I have trod;  
And tremble, seeing whence  
proceeds the strength  
Of such poor instruments, with  
their slight sublime  
I tremble at the sorrow of the  
thing.  
—WILLIAM WORDSWORTH.

THERE are, of course, exclu-  
sive places where no un-  
authorised person is permitted to go  
—and if by chance you did get in  
you would not get out again.

Many of these buildings are  
strangely camouflaged. It is no  
longer possible to identify them from  
the air. Water courses which might  
have subjected the moon by night  
have been hidden by cunning devices.

In one place you will find  
men working in complete  
safety making those small bullets for  
the 303 rifle. Small things these  
bullets are—but beautifully fabricat-  
ed of high-grade steel and cleverly  
put together.

The method is simple—not unlike  
those child-time puzzles in which you  
shake the contents of one box into  
another in exactly the required posi-  
tion.

While millions of small bullets are  
mass-produced every day, every one  
of them has to be carefully examined,  
by the human eye, for faults.  
Those that have the slightest defect  
are instantly rejected. After their  
assembly, these bullets come into the  
hands of these checkers.

**S. W. ALEXANDER**

City Editor of the "Daily Express"

describes a tour of  
Britain's armament works

Many of them are elderly men with  
stiff-keen eyes, lining up the bullets  
by the score—examining first tops  
and tails and then sides. The chances  
of a defective bullet passing out are  
thus very small. These folk realise  
their responsibility and go about their  
work as if their lives depended on it  
—as indeed they may do.

ELSEWHERE I saw the mak-  
ing of heavy bombs for our  
Royal Air Force.

And here I saw the sandblasters.  
How comes it that men are pleased  
to be shut up during their working  
hours in little fortress-like buildings?  
Pleased to be dressed in a weird  
head-dress designed to give protec-  
tion to their eyes and ears, doing  
nothing else all the time but spraying  
vast quantities of tiny pieces of hard  
steel—under great pressure—on to  
the sides of these bombs in order to  
smooth them off and remove ac-  
cumulations of muck acquired in the  
process of manufacture?

There are plenty of people willing  
to take on that job—even though it  
means working in terrific noise and  
what may appear to others to be  
great inconveniences.

If, for instance, you want to com-  
municate with one of these men, a  
gentle tap at the door will do no  
good at all. He won't hear. You  
will have to hit the sides of his fort-  
ress with something like a sledge-  
hammer—and if you hit hard enough  
he will just hear a gentle tap.

Maybe sandblasters are born, not  
made.

TREMENDOUSLY interesting,  
too, is the work of repaling  
the big guns. If you go to some of  
these works you will find a number  
of huge guns lying on the grass.  
They look as if they are being un-  
cared for. Not at all. They are  
covered with rust-resisting paint  
and their insides are full of grease  
—the ends being protected by wooden  
blocks.

A sixteen-inch gun for the British  
Navy weighs an enormous tonnage  
and though a well-weighting many  
hundredweight for a great distance  
its life is probably only a few hundred  
rounds.

The life of smaller guns may be  
as much as a few thousand rounds,  
but all big guns at some time or  
other have to come in for repair.  
Their tubes wear out and they have  
to have new ones—new linings.

This involves taking out sixty feet  
of steel tube and inserting a new one.

The gun barrel is lifted up gently  
by rope which is nine inches in cir-  
cumference and will carry a weight  
of 150 tons. It is put end-up into a  
great pit, where it is heated by gas—  
a formidable arrangement of gas  
pipes is involved in this. The old  
tube is carefully taken out, and when  
it gets cold again the new one is put  
in.

In all this work the steel used has  
to be of the highest grade.

The development of high-grade  
steel in the past fifteen years has  
altered the structure of the big guns.

There are some old ones in these  
factories which still have inside them  
thousands of yards of what we used  
to call piano wire. It was there to  
take the compression as the gun was  
fired.

The new steel makes that unneces-  
sary. It also makes for simpler con-  
struction and longer life.

As these great guns are made or  
re-made, they are taken away, perhaps  
disguised as a kind of birthday cake  
on wheels, and are tried out—shelling  
into vast mounds of sand.

LET me tell you about the  
machines in these vast  
factories.

One of the most important is the  
rifling machine. This makes those  
beautiful grooves in the tube of the  
gun which cause the shell to rotate  
at a great speed as it takes its course.

A message I recently received from  
America said that the British munitions  
factories were full of German  
machines... suggested that in this  
matter of munitions-machinery we  
were away behind the other man.

Germany has always specialised  
in certain types of small machine  
tool. We have specialised in others  
which they do not produce, and  
Switzerland and America have special-  
ised in yet other types. In normal  
times this division of labour is a  
good thing.

In these big armament works I  
have looked out especially for Ger-  
man machines. I could find only  
one German rifling machine. It was  
obtained under conditions which are  
unlikely to have caused it to be  
selected as a big specimen for our  
special benefit. But the quality of  
the materials of which it is made is  
so poor that it has broken down  
several times. It is not comparable  
with the corresponding British tool.

ALL steel coming into these  
works is first electrically  
drilled for a sample. This is sent to  
the laboratory. The temperature at  
which it shall be treated is decided  
from that sample. It is numbered  
and followed through to the finished  
job.

Do not imagine, however, that there  
are no problems to be solved. Rapidly  
expanding industry always brings its  
own problems.

There are problems of skilled  
labour, and there is an urgent need  
that women should be allowed to  
come into the factories and partici-  
pate in this work.

Some men have been reluctant to  
agree, but to-day the problem is  
primarily one of making ready the  
necessary facilities and accommodation.

There is, on all sides, complete  
eagerness for the common good.

Mr. Leslie Burgin, the Minister of  
Supply, and his staff are working  
night and day, for it is realised that  
at all costs the men at the front must  
be supported.

The great mass of the people, the  
wives and children of the front-line  
men, can, in my view, have complete  
confidence that this purpose will be  
achieved.



# CHINESE HERALD NEW YEAR WITH BRILLIANT VICTORY

## Tightening Ban on Sterling Transfers to Hongkong

LONDON, Jan. 4 (British Wireless).—On January 8 an Order in Council will come into force which prohibits the transfer of sterling or of sterling securities, whether by delivery or by registration, from a U.K. resident to a non-resident unless express permission has been given by the Treasury.

For the purposes of this order, a non-resident is a person, company or firm residing or carrying on business outside the British Empire, Egypt, Anglo-Egyptian Sudan and Iraq, with the exception that residents in Canada, Newfoundland and Hongkong are regarded as non-residents.

## Defence Submissions In Property Dispute

### INTERPRETER AND IDENTIFICATION

The submission that plaintiffs were estopped from regaining anything whatsoever by their conduct in standing by with full knowledge that the mortgages were forged was made by Mr. H. G. Sheldon, K.C., before the Chief Justice, Sir Atholl MacGregor, in the Supreme Court this morning, when he continued his outline of the defence in the property dispute case involving two houses in Des Voeux Road Central and Wing Lok Street.

Plaintiffs are Chan Fook-hing, Chan Sik-tin and Chan Kwok-nin, and as co-owners, they claim that the property was mortgaged, without their knowledge, by Chan Chung-wah, brother of the third plaintiff, for \$50,000. They ask the Court for a declaration that the signatures on the mortgages are forgeries.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., and Hon. Mr. Leo d'Almeida, J.P., instructed by Mr. C. d'Almeida, appear for plaintiffs. The defendant, Fung Kiu-sun, is represented by Mr. Sheldon and Mr. H. C. Macnamara, instructed by Mr. M. M. Watson.

#### Knew Of Forgeries

Mr. Sheldon said the plaintiffs knew of the forgeries almost immediately after the mortgages had been executed, and yet had withheld this information from the defendant. Indeed, all they were concerned with was about the rent due to them. As a result of their action, defendant had been robbed of all the remedies which would have been open to him had he learned of the forgeries earlier instead of at the commencement of the present proceedings to issue a writ of attachment on property owned by Chan Chung-wah, and to institute criminal proceedings against him. By their action in keeping silent, therefore, the plaintiffs must be barred from their claim.

Evidence that third plaintiff was not the man whom he knew as Chan Kwok-nin was then given by Lo Kwok-min, an interpreter employed by Mr. C. A. S. Russ. Witness said he was first introduced to Chan Kwok-nin about 11 years ago by a clerk at the Magistrate's in connection with a bankruptcy matter. Chan Kwok-nin was also known as Chan Chung-wah.

The mortgage and memorial produced were signed by Chan Chung-wah and not by the third plaintiff. He could not tell why one of the signatures had been erased and another substituted, but the documents were signed in his presence.

#### False Identification

Subsequently, Chan Chung-wah put through a mortgage with the Overseas Bank and asked him to identify the other two mortgagors, whom he said were his cousins and whose names he gave as Chan Fook-hing and Chan Sik-tin. They were not the first and second plaintiffs. He did not know them but nevertheless he identified them.

Mr. Potter, by identifying these two men whom in fact you did not know, you committed a falsehood, is that not so?—I only did what I was told by Chan Chung-wah.

Surely as a solicitor's clerk you ought to know that you cannot identify a person unless you know him perfectly well, especially in such an important matter as a mortgage?—Yes, but I identified them for the sake of Chan Chung-wah.

Tam Chuk-lam, article clerk of Mr. Peter H. Sin, said he had known a man by the name of Chan Kwok-nin, alias Chan Chung-wah, since 1933 and had occasionally done business with him. He was not the third plaintiff.

The case was adjourned to 10 a.m. on Monday.

## Thieves Rob Charitable Institutions

A thief entered the premises of the Hongkong Benevolent Society yesterday and stole a clock and old clothing to the value of \$15.

Slater Francis, of the Home for the Aged, Ngau-chi-wan, Kowloon City, reported to the Police yesterday that someone broke into the store-room of the Home during the night of January 3-4 and stole a large quantity of bed blankets.

## Japanese Driven Back on North Kwangtung Front

CHUNGKING, JAN. 5 (REUTERS).—CHINESE FORCES IN NORTHERN KWANGTUNG COUNTER-ATTACKED ON NEW YEAR'S DAY AND, AFTER 48 HOURS OF HEAVY FIGHTING, DROVE THE JAPANESE BACK ALONG THE ENTIRE FRONT, DECLARED THE CHINESE MILITARY SPOKESMAN AT A PRESS CONFERENCE.

Reviewing the battle, the spokesman stated that the Japanese pushed northward from Canton in three columns in the latter part of December—the centre striking from Tsunghua, the right wing from Lungmen and the left wing along the Canton-Hankow Railway.

The two wings, particularly the right, made rapid progress in their advance. As the left column reached Yingteh on the railway, the right column went beyond Meikeng and reached Oongyuan and Sanhua.

The Chinese Command, the spokesman continued, decided on the tactics to hold the Japanese at the centre while Chinese troops east and west of the railway attacked the Japanese wings.

#### Four-Way Attack

The Japanese centre was halted by the Chinese in the hills in the vicinity of Liangkou and Lupetsi, whereupon the Chinese forces launched an attack on the Japanese right wing at Oongyuan on New Year's day from two directions.

A Chinese column from Shaokwan, the spokesman said, attacked the Japanese from the north-west, while another Chinese column from South Kiangsi attacked from the north-east.

Meanwhile, he proceeded, another Chinese detachment attacked at Meikeng in the Japanese rear.

This Japanese column was eventually forced to withdraw southward back to Lungmen.

#### Japanese Fire Houses

In connection with the fighting on the Kwangtung front, "Central News" reports today that the Japanese troops set fire to houses in their retreat, thus rendering thousands of peasants homeless.

The Chinese authorities have now sent delegates to relieve and give accommodation to refugees in the war areas.

On the Kiangsu-Cheking border, more Chinese successes have been reported. It is stated that Japanese troops aboard 40 steam launches and junks in the Taihu Lake were shelled near Chentshi by Chinese artillery last week. Two of the launches and one junk were sunk, resulting in 100 Japanese being drowned.

In South Shansi, the Chinese are said to have recaptured Wangyukow, Chungnanwutsun and Tsungshan-tsun east of Anyi. Heavy casualties have been inflicted on the Japanese in a series of Chinese thrusts.

#### Surprise Night Attack

In a surprise night attack a Chinese unit blew up the power plant at Shihchiachwang, a strategic junction of the Peking-Hankow and Chengtai Railways in West Hopen on January 1. The whole town was plunged into darkness and, lacking advantage of this, the Chinese smashed into the Japanese barracks, killing over 100 of the enemy.

According to these Chinese reports, the Japanese troops at Lungwang-miao, near Taming in South Hopen, were subjected to an enveloping attack on the same day.

## Nathan Rd. GANG OF ROBBERS

### Youthful Bag-Snatchers Rounded-Up

Five youthful members of a gang of 13 handbag snatchers with their headquarters in a heroin divan in Temple Street, and who operate mostly in Nathan Road between the Alhambra Theatre and Mongkok, were arraigned before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistrate's today on charges of larceny and receiving stolen property and money.

Two of the victims of the gang were Mrs. Joseph Le da Combe and Miss Graneau. The former had her handbag, containing US\$85 and HK\$545, snatched from her on New Year's eve, and Miss Graneau lost her purse with \$11 on December 27. Neither of the handbags or their contents were recovered.

Defendants were Leung Kau, 25, Suen Kin, 18, Tsai Yuk-lun, 17, Mak Hol, 15, and Wong Ming, 18. Leung was charged with theft of Mrs. da Combe's handbag and receiving 80 cents, stolen property. Suen and Wong were charged with receiving \$34 stolen property, and Tsai, \$30. Suen also admitted theft of Miss Graneau's handbag. Wong and Mak were each charged with receiving 80 cents, stolen property.

Detective-Sergeant Fraser said defendants were members of a gang of 13 with their headquarters in a heroin divan at 125 Temple Street, ground floor. They operated mostly in Nathan Road between the Alhambra Theatre and Mongkok.

#### Gang's Technique

On December 31, Mrs. da Combe was walking in Nathan Road near Hamilton Street when Leung Kai snatched the handbag from behind her. Four other youths were present and they made some pretence of arresting Leung but all ran away down Hamilton Street and disappeared into a scavenging lane.

Miss Graneau's handbag was snatched under similar circumstances. Miss Graneau, a University student, was walking with her mother and another friend near Man Ming lane on December 27 at 8 p.m., when the incident occurred. The snatcher disappeared down the lane.

All the handbags snatched, continued the Sergeant, were taken to the roof of 25 Temple Street where the contents were shared out, the sums mentioned in the receiving charges being the amounts each defendant received. The main bulk of the money was taken by the gang leaders who have not yet been arrested. The handbags were dumped, and Leung told the police that the bag he had snatched had been destroyed.

A remand of three days was granted for the finger print records to be obtained, and for further inquiries to be made.

## STOCK MARKET REPORT

Hongkong Stock Exchange Official Summary issued yesterday says: Trading continues on a broad scale. The price for Docks has shown some slight recession after touching \$21½, but the demand is not yet satisfied. Electric, Telephones & Wharves have also been in some demand. Hongkong Banks have come to business @ \$1,380 with further enquiries for scrip.

Buyers  
Union Ins. \$430  
Hotels \$5.15  
Tramways \$17.10  
Yau-mat \$102  
Electric \$53½  
Telephones (Old) \$24½  
Ropes \$5.00  
Watsons \$9.10  
Entertainments (Old) \$14  
Constructions (Old) \$14

Sales  
H.K. Bank \$1,380  
Union Ins. \$430  
Hotels \$5.15  
Tramways \$17.10  
Docks \$21.30/¼/60/¾/70  
Providents \$4.55  
Hotels \$5½  
Electric \$53½  
Telephones (Old) \$24½  
Telephones (New) \$9.10  
Cements \$17½

## Nathan Rd. GANG OF ROBBERS

### Attempt To Confuse U.S. Opinion More Blundering Propaganda

LONDON, Jan. 4 (British Wireless).—Vigorous attempts are being made by the German propaganda machine to confuse opinion by anticipating the finding of the Commission now sitting in Washington enquiring into the Athens incident.

By misleading excerpts from United States Press statements which purport to represent intelligent forecasts of the Commission's report and which are made to appear favourable to the well-known German thesis, are given publicity in the obvious hope that they will be taken as the actual and final conclusions of the Commission. The implication of much of the German propaganda on this question is that the Commission's verdict has already been published.

#### Here's An Example

An example of this propaganda is a passage in the Berlin "Boerzeshung" cited in the "Transocean" wireless news to-day: "Nothing throws more light on England's position in the Athens case than the fact that, with the results of the American investigation, it is unable to find the smallest argument in its own favour."

In similar vein is a clumsy endeavour to throw doubt on the integrity of the "Reuter" agency. "Significant is the attempt of Reuter's to weaken the Washington verdict—a sentence which again implies that a report has been issued."

## Another Trawler Feared Lost

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuters).—The Aberdeen trawler, Daneden, is ten days overdue and is feared lost.

The Daneden left Aberdeen on December 11 and was last seen in the fishing grounds in the same vicinity as the trawler, Sir of Scotland, on the day when the latter was bombed by German aircraft.

## LETTER STOLEN FROM POST-BOX

Seen extracting a letter from a letter box in Queen Victoria Street, Man Lau, 29, unemployed, was charged before Mr. Edwards at the Central Magistrate's this morning.

Man pleaded guilty and was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

## ALLEGED THEFT FROM HAWKER'S SWEET STALL

A novel method of stealing money was alleged to have been employed by Tam Pak-hung, 35, a broker, when he was charged before Mr. Forrest at the Central Magistrate's this morning with the larceny of ten cents from a hawkers' stall in Queen's Road East yesterday. Tam denied the offence.

Inspector A. V. Baker said the stall was run by Wong Nam and his wife, and Chinese sweet-meats were sold. Tam went up to the stall and asked for a cent's worth of sweet dough-balls. Wong alleged he saw Tam use his right index finger to point at something on the stall and at the same time use his middle finger on which adhered some Chinese medicinal plaster to pick up a ten-cent piece.

As soon as he saw he had been caught in the act, Tam, it was further alleged, dropped the coin and quickly walked away. He was pursued by Wong and Baker. Tam threw away a packet. The ten-cent piece, picked up by the Police, was found to have medicinal plaster adhering to it.

The case was adjourned until tomorrow.

## Red Cross Fund Now Nearly £1,000,000

LONDON, Jan. 4 (British Wireless).—The Lord Mayor's Red Cross Fund, which increased by £5,000 yesterday, now stands at £919,000.

The Nigeria War Relief Fund sent a fifth donation which brings the total Nigerian contribution to £10,000.

## Hitler Youth Leader Conscripted

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
BERLIN, Jan. 4 (Dome).—Herr Hitler von Schirach, leader of the Hitler Youth, was drafted for military service on January 1. He has joined a military corps.

## FULLER CONTROL OF BRITISH SHIPPING ANNOUNCED

LONDON, Jan. 4 (British Wireless).—The Minister of Shipping has announced that in the interests of efficient conduct of the war he has extended the policy of requisition of shipping. The Government is satisfied that regular execution of shipping programmes will be most effectively secured by bringing shipping under full control.

Action was taken at the beginning of December to requisition for full cargoes of cereals imported on account of the Ministry of Food on the North Atlantic route, and the same system is now being applied to shipments of all full cargoes of cereals, oilseeds and sugar upon Government account. It is also being applied to the carriage of iron ore and certain other essential metal cargoes as part of the general application of requisition to all tramp shipping.

Sir John Gilmour stated today that he had applied the policy of requisition at an early date to all ships on the United Kingdom and Colonial registers engaged in deep-sea liner trades as from the date when they complete their first discharge in the U.K. after the scheme comes into operation.

Sir John Gilmour said that the same reasons, which have been found to have a compelling force in favour of this policy in the last war, actu-

ated him where that course was necessary in order to find tonnage for more urgent national employment by providing greater unity of control. Identity of interest would enable tonnage to be used effectively and material economies of tonnage would be secured. It had been arranged at discussions with representatives of owners as to conditions of charter, and the rates of hire shall start this week.

## PRISON, ONLY SAFE PLACE FOR THIEF

Telling defendant that the only safe place for him to be in was prison, Mr. E. Hinesworth at the Kowloon Magistrate's today sentenced Mak Shiu, 25, unemployed, to a year's hard labour for the theft of 40 cents.

Mak had nine previous convictions for larceny and one for loitering and is a police supervisee. Inspector Rogers described Mak's record as very bad.

A Chinese detective saw Mak pulling his hand into the pocket of a man who was in a crowd watching a medicine hawk in Sa Po Road, Kowloon City. When caught, Mak had 40 cents in his hands. The victim of the larceny was unaware of his loss.

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# "Captain Foster's" Racing Review

## PONY PERFORMANCES DURING 1939

### TRIUMPHANT DAY & ROSE ELECT HEAD STAKES WINNERS

IN 1939 there were 50 events confined to the Australian ponies, but one would hardly believe that no track figure has been lowered during the whole racing season.

Strathroy owned by Mr. J. F. Macgregor is the present record holder of the fastest time over five furlongs, a mile, a course from the two mile post (once round and in), 1 1/4 miles and 1 1/2 miles. It is interesting to recall that Strathroy attempted to stage a comeback (after an absence of five months) in the Brisbane Spring Handicap run on May 6, but the record holder failed miserably in a field of four runners. After this outing Strathroy has not been seen in public and it is rumoured that the wonder pony is on pension.

However Mrs. Taggart's Lancashire Chips still holds the record of a distance from the 1 1/4 mile post, while Courting Eve belonging to Mr. Li Lamsang retains the fastest run over six furlongs. Gypsy Love, the property of L. C. L., is down on the list as the fastest mare over the Derby course in 2.43.3/5 for 1/2 miles. I prognosticate that some of the existing records will be broken during 1940.

Racing among the Australian ponies was of high standard, for it always had a big public following. The problem of getting winners had not been under easy sail, and the three greatest upsets in the classic events were in the Roosters Hill Derby, the Fremantle St. Leger, and the Queensland Autumn Champions. Triumphant Day's success in the first event paid \$19,300, Boffin Bay's victory in the second gave a dividend of \$410,300, and a Grand Time's win of the last Autumn classic was a pay out of \$101,500 to the delight of 201 backers.

The highest aggregate sale of tickets under the category of win and place was recorded in the Queensland Autumn Champions, when it reached a total of 12,212, and the second best return was \$2,150 in the Manly Handicap, both events being confined to Australian ponies.

#### IMPORTANT INCIDENT

AN incident of much importance was the ineligibility of Lucky Lad (the winner of Spring Champions) to compete for the Autumn Champions, owing to the fact that he had not won a race during the extra race meetings.

It was hard on the owner, for Lucky Lad was placed second in three handicap events, but I am glad to see from the draft programme of the 1940 Annual Race Meeting that the inclusion of "placed ponies of a flat race at the Club's Extra Race Meetings during the second half of 1939 season." With this additional clause in the conditions of the Australian Ponies Championships to be contested on February 24, Lucky Lad is now eligible for the classic even should he be unplaced at the Annual Carnival.

#### K.C.C. HANDICAP TENNIS TOURNAMENT

IN THE FINAL of the K.C.C. men's handicap doubles tennis tournament yesterday, E. O. Fincher and G. C. Burnett (two 40) beat A.E.P. Guest and S. A. Gray (two 30-2) by 6-0, 6-4.

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#### Division Of Stake Money For 1939

#### Triumphant Day Heads Australians' List

IT WILL BE RECALLED that the stake money of all events had materially been increased commencing from the Annual Carnival. The total of stakes paid out to the Australian ponies including the 1939 subscription griffins was \$68,934 and in comparison with previous year's sum, the amount has been increased by \$13,354.

The list is made up as follows:

Abie Amazon	\$ 500
Africa Diamond	1,000
A Grand Time	2,000
A Great Time	1,000
Amber II	1,200
Amber III	1,200
Amber IV	1,200
Amber V	1,200
Amber VI	1,200
Amber VII	1,200
Amber VIII	1,200
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collection of \$2,950, and the cob has won two races with three seconds, and the same for third place. Schmettler, who earned only \$175, came under the starter's orders 15 times, but both Amber II and Amber III had 14 outtings, each scoring a total of \$1,200 and \$700 respectively.

For the first time since 1936 Strathroy has drawn a blank cheque and it is interesting to reveal that his yearly income averaged over \$4,000, the total for three seasons being \$12,350.

Generally speaking, the descendants of Tom McCarthy have done exceptionally well; Candellight (\$1,000), Chiltern (\$3,051) and Lucky Lad (\$4,300) have earned a total sum of \$8,351.

By Kawackka, Bruno made \$1,075, Pocoon \$800, Pumpernickel \$900 and Sydney Lad \$1,600, aggregating in all \$4,175.

Amber II (\$1,200) Hoppy Landings (\$1,700) and A Roaring Time (\$1,200) were sired by Amber and the three placed up \$4,100.

The offspring by Double Court were not much in the limelight, Derby Day winning only \$600, Double Finesse collecting \$500 and Courting Eve made \$1,350.

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## CROMWELL Husband Of The World's Richest Girl APPOINTED AN ENVOY

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 4 (UP).  
—The husband of the richest  
girl in the world is to become  
American Ambassador to  
Canada.  
The appointment of Mr. James  
R. Cromwell to this post was  
announced by President Roose-  
velt to-day. Mr. Cromwell will  
succeed Mr. Daniel Roper.  
His wife is Doria Duke, heiress to  
the famous tobacco millions of her  
father, James Duke.  
They were married in March 1935,  
and came to Hongkong four months  
later on their honeymoon, residing at  
the Repulse Bay Hotel.  
Mrs. Cromwell's fortune is estimated  
at \$3,000,000.  
Other ambassadorial appointments  
notified by the President to-day are:  
Mr. John Cudahy, Minister of Erie,  
to become Ambassador to Belgium;  
succeeding Mr. Joseph E. Davies;  
Mr. Breckinridge Long becomes  
Assistant Secretary of State;  
Mr. George Messersmith, Assistant  
Secretary of State, becomes Ambassa-  
dor to Cuba;  
Mr. R. Henry Norweb becomes  
Ambassador to Peru;  
Mr. Robert Scotten becomes Minis-  
ter to the Dominican Republic, suc-  
ceeding Mr. R. Henry Norweb.

## Floodlights Fool Reds Finns Invent A New Defence

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
HELSINKI, Jan. 5  
(UP).—Enormous electric flood-  
lights are turning Arctic nights  
into day on the frozen lakes of the  
Karelian Isthmus as the  
Finns put into practice an inno-  
vation in warfare in an attempt  
to prevent the Reds from flank-  
ing the Finnish positions by  
crossing the ice.  
The powerful floodlight-like  
floodlights are kept on throughout the  
night, which is now 18 hours long.  
Additional safeguards include  
artillery action against—not the Reds,  
but the ice, which Finns are method-  
ically smashing up as rapidly as it  
forms.  
Until the recent freezing of the  
lakes, the Red advance was complet-  
ely paralysed by the hundreds of small  
lakes which render advance by  
mechanized units impossible.

## PORTUGAL HIT BY FLOODS

LISBON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—The  
floods which hit Portugal in the past  
two days, are growing worse, and  
large areas are now under water.  
Some 50 villages are submerged  
and hundreds of head of cattle have  
been lost.

## TOOK OPIUM TO PRISONER

Charged with conveying opium to  
a prisoner whilst in custody at the  
Central Magistracy yesterday, Cheuk  
Lai, 29, unemployed was fined \$40  
by Mr. Forrest this morning.

## New Air Service

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
TOKYO, Jan. 5 (Dunell).—A regu-  
lar air service between Japan and  
Thailand (Siam) will be inaugurated  
on February 1.  
Seven-seater Japanese-constructed  
planes will be used on the new  
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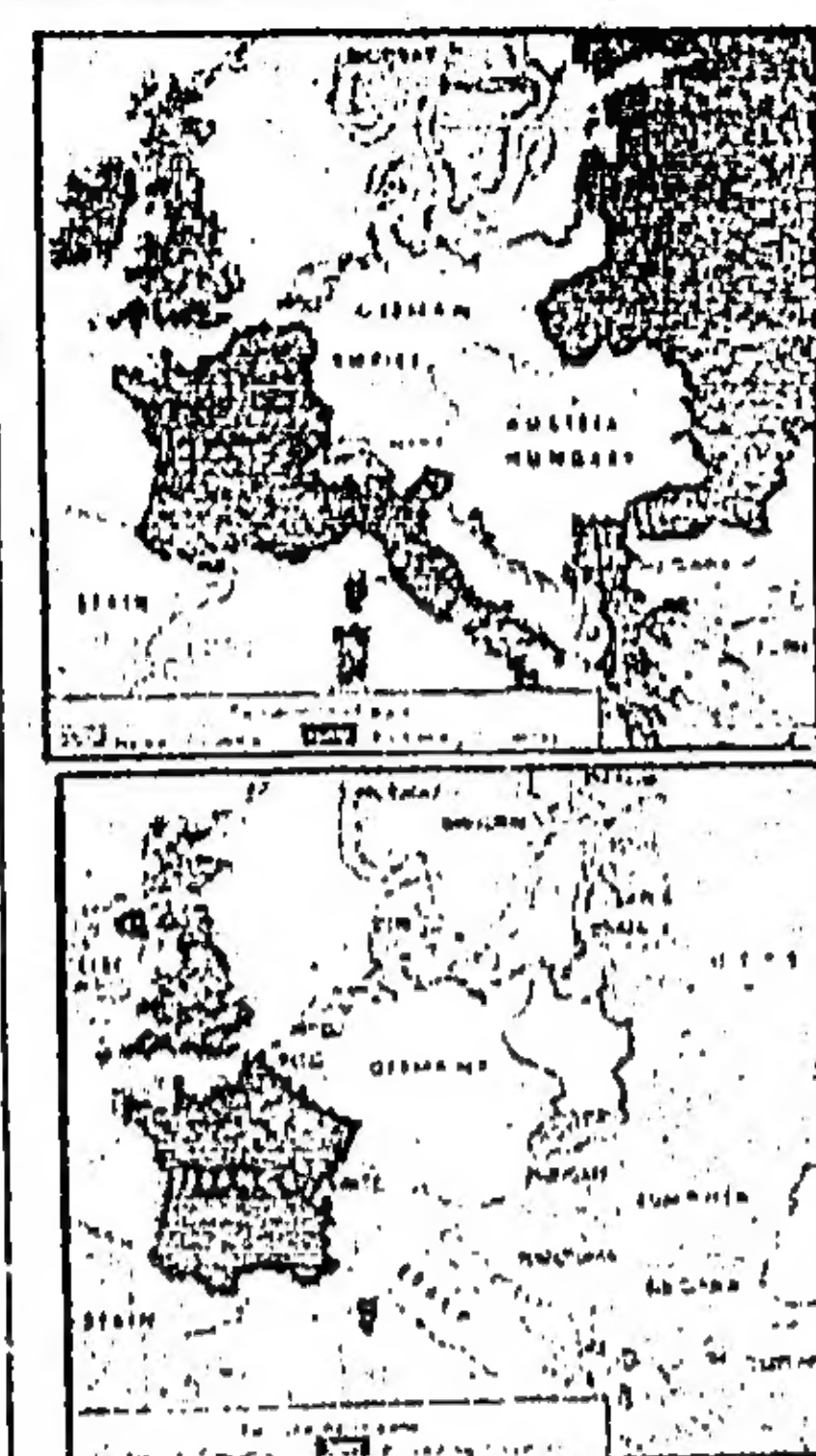


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stamp and postmark are shown  
above), are being received now  
by many people.

The first, marked 1911, shows  
the "encirclement" necessary  
to make Britain's blockade suc-  
cessful in the last war.

Below is one marked 1939 in  
which the Germans attempt to  
show how "encirclement" has  
failed and how the blockade  
must also fail.

It takes no account, however,  
of the vital fact that present-  
day Nazi Germany has no gold  
or foreign currency with which  
to pay for imports necessary to  
carry on the war or that the  
countries on her frontier can-  
not supply many of the raw  
materials she needs.

## GRAF SPEE MEN TRY TO ESCAPE

MONTEVIDEO, Jan. 4  
(Reuter).—Five members  
of the Graf Spee crew made  
a daring attempt to escape  
internment to-day.  
They secured a motor  
launch and started for  
Buenos Aires.  
The motor launch develop-  
ed engine trouble, however,  
and the men were overtaken  
and brought back.

## WAR IN CHINA

## PEACE IN OFFING? London Has Wave Of Optimism

LONDON, Jan. 4 (Reuter).—  
Hopes that serious efforts may  
shortly be made towards secur-  
ing some settlement in the  
Sino-Japanese war were respon-  
sible for the sharp upward  
movement of Chinese bonds  
to-day.

It is realised that the potential  
recovery capacity of China in  
such an event must be large,  
especially as the latest returns of  
Customs revenues issued by the  
Chinese Embassy indicate a relatively  
small real decline in China's receipts  
for 1939 as compared with last year.  
Many financial quarters, who were  
prepared for a much greater decline,  
are now wondering whether, if  
China can secure such a large cus-  
toms revenue with many of her  
legitimate trade outlets closed, she  
might not provide a spectacular  
commercial recovery were the normal  
trading conditions restored.

## Japanese Interest In Balkans

SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH"  
ISTANBUL, Jan. 4 (UP).—Japane-  
se diplomats here are showing a  
marked interest in Balkan develop-  
ments since the Russo-Bulgarian rap-  
prochement.  
The Japanese strongly support the  
 bloc against Russian aggression in  
the Balkans.  
For the first time, staff correspon-  
dents of the Domei News Agency  
have been sent to Sofia and Istanbul.

## Cottage Club Cavalcade

Members of the Cottage Club are  
reminded that the Cavalcade of  
Members will take place from the  
Clubhouse on Saturday, at 3.30 p.m.

## C. C. C. — Army Game Cancelled

The cricket match between  
Craigmount and Army scheduled  
for to-morrow has been cancelled.  
Craigmount will play an intra-club  
match at 2 p.m.  
The following will represent Army  
against Craigmount in the second division of  
the League to-morrow—Capt. J. F. Lawrence,  
captain; Bill T. MacLeod, Major J. E.  
Sawyer, Capt. A. B. Whitham, Lieut. A.  
W. E. Peck, Lieut. B. A. Fergus, Q. M. S.  
Patterson, S/Sgt. Gardner, Lieut. Chaplin,  
Sgt. Dainton, Sgt. Bailey.

## H.K.C.C. Teams For To-morrow

The following are the Hongkong Cricket  
Club teams for to-morrow:  
First XI, 11 C. (at Sookunpool)—T. A.  
Pearce (Capt.), D. de S. Carey, D. G.  
Day, A. T. Dow, A. H. Finnie, M. F. L.  
Haymes, H. Owen Hughes, A. K. Mac-  
donald, J. L. C. Pearce, J. E. Potter, T. M.  
Sutter.  
Second XI, Army (home)—E. J. B.  
Bennell (Capt.), H. J. Armstrong, C. W.  
E. Bishop, N. D. Booker, G. E. H. Divett,  
J. H. Fox, H. J. D. Lowe, D. O. Parsons,  
H. S. W. Patterson, D. S. Tubb, W. Stoker.

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